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DOWN BY THE SEA.

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Down by the sea the moaning wave
Softly sobs through the live-long day;
Winds of the Winter wildly rave
O'er the sands of Ella's grave,
Sweeping past to the sheltered bay.

All that is left of her sleeps there,
Close by the sands of the dreary beach;
Father's blessing, or mother's prayer,
Never startles the lonely air—
Only echoes the sea-bird's screech.

Loved? Yes, once she was loved too well
(God who judgeth her judgeth all);
Strange that he turned her heaven to hell,
Strange that so bright an angel fell—
God and the angels saw her fall.

So she sleeps in this lonely place—
Only a fisher-girl, pass her by!
Fair was her form, too fair her face;
After the stain of this disgrace
What was left to her but to die?

What was left to her? This alone—
Rest by the sea-beach, breakers' roar,
Sea-bird's screech, and the Winter's moan;
Only a grave with seaweed strewn,
Only a mound by the lonely shore.

Night after night, in the gilded hall,
Flirting with butterflies—Fortune's pet—
Gayest and happiest of all,
He, the cause of her sin and fall,
Feels no sorrow or dark regret.

Questioning hearts of ours, be still!
Dark are His ways, by us unseen;
She, in her grave beneath the hill,
He where the wines of life distill—
God who judgeth will judge between.

VIOLET MILDMAY;

OR,

IN THE SPIDER'S WEB.

A THRILLING ROMANCE OF LOVE, DECEIT, AND CRIME.

CHAPTER VIII.

The story of our lives,
From year to year, is like the onward course
Of stream or river, which flows in peace
Or strives against the stones. FALCONER.

The captain, as he opened his bedroom window, saw Mr. Leicester Dodson's departure, and was rather surprised. Captain Murpoint was too shrewd an observer of human nature not to have noticed Mr. Leicester's evident partiality for Miss Violet's society, and, although it would seem to be antagonistic to the captain's plans that the young man should be hanging about the house, yet in reality he was quite willing that Violet's attention should be absorbed by handsome Mr. Leicester, or anyone else, so that it was drawn for the present from Captain Murpoint. He could not understand Mr. Leicester's sudden flight, and Mr. Starling, when interrogated, could not very much enlighten him.

Jem, or "Starling," as the captain now called him, entered his master's bedroom with the water for the bath, and found the captain still in bed, but with his head resting on one strong hand and his face turned dreamily to the window. Starling grunted his morning salutation, and the captain nodded.

"Go to the window," he said, "and tell me if that young Dodson's dog-cart has come back; if I have calculated correctly, it has just had about time enough to get to the station and back."

"Here it comes, captain."

"Without Mr. Leicester?"

"Without Mr. Leicester," replied Starling.

"Then he has gone to town," said the captain, springing out of bed and stretching himself thoughtfully. "Gone to town! What the deuce has he gone to town for?"

"That is what everybody wants to know," said Jem from the next room, where he was spreading out the towels and pouring the water into the bath.

"Did you make friends with the people in the servants' hall at the Cedars?" asked the captain.

"I did, captain, obedient to your commands," said Jem, with a wink, "and a very nice, genteel lot o' people they are, though I prefer the hall here, if there's any choice. Oh, yes; I walked up last night permiscous like; and when they knew as I was your man, they made me welcome, drawed me some of the best October, and would a' opened a bottle of Masery, but I wouldn't hear on it—I allus was so modest. I had a cut of duck and a helpin' o' some sort o' cream with a long furrin' name ——"

"Tush! I don't want to know what you had to eat and drink," interrupted the captain. "What did you hear?"

"Not much," he said, laying out the captain's ready-brushed morning suit. "I heard that Mr. Leicester was going up to London this morning, quite sudden like—and he aint one of your impulsive gents, neither. His man didn't know what was up, and depended to stop here for another month at the Cedars. There's nothing a-wrong between him and the old people and the young un', neither, for the butler—which is a more high and mighty swell, in a bigger shirt-front, than our old chap—he heard Mr. Dodson beg o' Mr. Leicester to stop; but no, he said he'd go, and gone he has, sure enough."

"And now you can go and get my coffee, captain. "Stay! Did you find that piece of paper which I told you to look for in the drawing-room?"

"No, captain, and I looked everywhere."

"I liot!" said the captain between his teeth, "let that be a warning to you never to put your clumsy paw in other people's pockets. I know who has picked that up, with its cursed tell-tale sentence?"

"I beg pardon," said Jem humbly. "But I thought I was doing right. This 'ere inspector was a man from London, and he might have spotted either of us ——"

"Enough," said the captain with a displeased frown.

"You were right to be cautious, and to give me warning, but you should have taken a better way in which to do it. Your grinning face and that stupid business of the letter were enough to arouse the suspicions of a child. Has the inspector gone?"

"Yes, captain," said Jem; "went away with Lord Ronald."

"I hope you may find everything very satisfactory; the force in fine condition, and the reserve able and active. He! he!"

"What are you laughing at?" said the captain.

"There's only one policeman—bar the coastguard, which don't count—in the place," grinned Jem.

"One policeman—and the coastguard!" mused the captain.

Then he muttered "All the better," and, dismissing his faithful servant, he prepared for his bath. He came down to breakfast placid and smiling as usual, and no one would have thought, who saw him, that over Violet's little head and murmur his morning salutation, that he was scrutinizing her frank face for some trace of disappointment. There was none to reward his scrutiny. Violet was as blithe and open as usual, chatted over the coffee-cups, and repeated to her cousin the captain's offer to drive her. But Mrs. Mildmay had arranged that the three should go together in the landau; so Dot and Spot had a rest. Nevertheless, she went down to the stable to see them, and leant over the stall to ask them how they liked tandem.

"Did Mr. Leicester Dodson hurt you, Dot, and is your mouth sore, Spot?" she asked, stroking the pony's nose. "Mr. Leicester's hand is rather strong and hard," she added, and she looked at her own hand, which that gentleman had queezed up twice in his vice-like grasp of the reins.

Then she tripped on to Leo and examined his bad foot, which was bad no longer.

The dog looked at her hand, and looked behind her wistfully, as if he expected to see his doctor come sauntering down the yard. Perhaps Violet would not have run away if he had done so. But Mr. Leicester, as we know, was on his way to London by that time.

Violet returned to the house, and found the captain smoking his morning cheroot, which he declared he enjoyed after breakfast more than any other time, and which he was permitted to smoke in the conservatory. Violet went in to talk with him, and the captain, after offering to put his cigar out, fell to talking of young Dodson. He talked in an easy, careless sort of way, but he praised him very neatly—praised his manner, his figure, his face and his common sense—to all of which Violet quietly added that he was very obliging also, and then tripped up the stairs into the drawing-room. The captain looked after her with a smile on his lips, between which his great Bengal cheroot rested, and a cattish light in his dark, furtive eyes.

"I wonder how she'll take it when she hears he's gone up to town?" he muttered. "I should like to see her face! She's a plucky girl, and I don't think she'd show anything she felt, but I'd like to see her face."

He was not fated to do that, however, for Violet learned the intelligence on the cliffs. She had gone on them to get her morning breeze, and met Mrs. Dodson, who was walking up from the Cedars.

Mrs. Dodson was delighted to see Miss Mildmay, and, if the truth must be told, Miss Mildmay was not sorry to see her. After the usual exchange of questions, Mrs. Dodson seated herself on the burnt-up grass beside Violet, and, with a sigh, fell to talking of the subject she loved best in the world. Violet seemed doomed to hear Mr. Leicester's praises that morning.

"He is so good and considerate," said simple Mrs. Dodson, "and so unselfish! So different to the young men of the day, my dear. Last Winter, when I was ill, the doctor forgot to send me some medicine, and Leicester rode off to Tenby, all through the snow, to fetch it, and it took him all night to make the journey. Of course, I didn't know he had gone until he came back with the medicine. And he saved the life of a boy who was drowning; and, oh! my dear, I could tell you of a hundred unselfish and noble things he has done; and he makes nothing of them, and does not care to have them mentioned—so please don't let him know that I told you."

"Oh, no," said Violet, turning her sweet smile upon the mother's face.

She liked Mrs. Dodson all the better for loving her son.

"But there is one thing about Leicester," continued Mrs. Dodson mildly. "He is very firm—some people would call him obstinate, but I do not think he's quite that, my dear. When he says a thing he never goes from it, though one try to persuade him ever so much. It is true, he rarely decides on a wrong thing—so perhaps, after all, he is right to be firm. Now, he has gone to London this morning ——"

"Has he?" said Violet with some surprise, and perhaps a little disappointment.

"Yes," replied Mrs. Dodson, with some little surprise on her part. "Did he not tell you he was going?"

"No. Why should he?" said Violet, looking out to sea.

"No, of course; but, as he was with you yesterday, I thought perhaps he might have mentioned it."

"No, he had not mentioned it. "Perhaps he forgot it."

"Or, perhaps," continued Mrs. Dodson musingly, "he had not intended going until last night. He does sometimes decide on things in that way. I am sorry he has gone, though of course it would be selfish of me to wish him to stay down here when it is so dull."

"Yes," said Violet, thinking that Mrs. Dodson had not by any means complimented the society of Penruddie and its neighborhood.

"Of course it is much pleasanter in London," said the fond mother. "And Leicester has so many friends, and there are so many amusements for young men. Oh, yes; I cannot expect him to stay long with us. I wish he would bring some of his friends down. But I am tiring you, my dear, with my fond, foolish talk?"

"No, not at all," said Violet. "Does not Mr. Leicester bring his friends down?"

"Sometimes, but very seldom. You see, there is no hunting or shooting—and—and very little society when the Hemingfords and the Lacklands are away. But Leicester talks of asking one great, very great friend to, off, those names I cannot remember, and perhaps, if he came down, Leicester would stay."

"I hope he will, for your sake, dear Mrs. Dodson," said Violet good-naturedly.

"I heard, but I'm sure I don't remember where, that the Lacklands were coming down to Coombe Lodge. Well, dear, they'll, of course, be here. You must feel very dull, so young, in such an out-of-the-way place. It is all very well for old people like us; but you ——" And she looked with simple admiration at the beautiful face, with its expression of animation and purity.

"Oh, no," said Violet, smiling. "I'm very seldom dull. You see, I have so many sources of amusement. There are my ponies and Leo, and the sea always—the beautiful sea! It seems quite a friend to me; always so changeful, and sometimes so restful. But you must be sun-dried, Mrs. Dodson. We both going the same way down the cliff, are we not?"

Then they walked together until the road divided, and Violet went on her way alone, thinking that, after all, Penruddie was perhaps a little dull, and wondering whether it would be at all pleasant in London. Dull! Be thankful, Violet Mildmay, for this peaceful, uneventful present. A period is fast approaching so stormy, so troubled, so passionate, that you will look back at these quiet months, and long for the rest and peace they bore on their bosom.

The landau was ready, and the captain and Mrs. Mildmay waiting. The coachman took them through the village, and Violet good-naturedly acted as cicerone. The captain's dark eyes seemed to take in everything, and they glistened with approbation and anticipation when Violet pointed out the boundaries of the Mildmay estate, and he saw the great extent of it.

"There is a fine view of the ruins to be obtained here," said Mrs. Mildmay, as the horses climbed up to the coastguard station on the cliff. "You would think we had such a romantic appendage to the Park, would you?"

"No," said the captain, looking at the house where it nestled against the bend of the hill. "I see that the new portion is built quite on to the ruins."

"Yes, some of the old walls were used, I believe, as being stronger than any modern art could be. Is it not picturesque?"

"Very indeed," said the captain, nodding his head with admiration, "and extremely romantic, as you say. If that is my bedroom, which I can see from here, I may be said to be sleeping in the next room to the ghosts."

"Yes, it is yours," said Violet. "Are you not frightened?"

"No; but I shall be when you have told me all the ghost stories in connection with the park, which you promised to tell me."

"So I will some time," said Violet; "some dark night, before the candles have come in. It is too bright now."

Then the captain exerted himself, and told the ladies some Indian anecdotes, artfully inserting John Mildmay's name in them, and so gaining Violet's grave, touched interest, and the landau returned home. The captain spent the evening writing letters—so he said. Mrs. Mildmay occupied her time usefully in knitting, and Violet—well, for the first time in her life, perhaps she felt dull.

For a week the dullness continued, and the captain, who watched her closely behind his well assumed simplicity and carelessness, found that all his amusing stories, songs and little pieces of acting failed to amuse her, and he was not surprised to hear Mrs. Mildmay say at breakfast one morning:

"My dear Violet, you want change of scene. You look tired, my child. If we can persuade Captain Murpoint to accompany us, we will go up to town for a week or two."

The captain bowed.

"I must be taking my flight soon, my dear madam. I have made a long stay."

Violet looked up with one of her frank, open glances.

"You will not go yet!" she said. "You will make this your home, Captain Murpoint, as you would have done if my father were master here."

The captain's eyes moistened, and his voice trembled with emotion as he bowed over to her in his courtly way.

"My dear Miss Mildmay," he said in a low voice, "I express my gratitude for your generous, warm-hearted welcome, and, though I cannot consent to make the Park my home, I will stay a little longer; for I must confess that I am loth to go."

"Stay as long as you can—forever!" said Violet in her impulsive way. "You are my father's best friend, and mine therefore."

She spoke warmly and with some eagerness—more eagerly than she would have done, because she felt an instinctive antipathy to Captain Murpoint, and she was battling against that feeling. Whom ought she to like, she asked indignantly, if it were not her father's best and dearest friend?

"Do not let me be a drag on any of your plans," said the captain earnestly. "I am an old campaigner, and can make myself comfortable anywhere." This is a charming place; but if Mrs. Mildmay would like a change, pray, pray do not let me be a hindrance."

"There is plenty of room over and over again for you in Park Place," said Violet, smiling. "So you will be no hindrance, Captain Murpoint. But I do not know that auntie really means to go to town—do you, auntie?"

"Well, my dear ——" said Mrs. Mildmay with hesitating indecision.

"At least," laughed Violet, "you will wait a week to think over it. You and Captain Murpoint can sit in council while I take a drive. I am going to try Dot and Spot in tandem," and she ran from the room.

"Be careful, my dear!" Mrs. Mildmay called after her, and the girl's light laugh rang back in loving mockery.

But something occurred within the next half-hour which put the projected journey to London on the shelf for a while. As Dot and Spot were trotting down the steep road in very high spirits and showing signs of rebellion, Violet saw two gentlemen walking slowly up the hill. Her attention was so much absorbed by the ponies that she did not bestow more than a glance upon them at first, and it was not until she had successfully reduced them to order that she recognized in one Mr. Leicester Dodson. Impulsive, as usual, she on the instant determined to change places with that gentleman in the matter of pride, and show him that she also could be inconsistent; therefore, when she came on a level with the gentlemen, she merely nodded to the uplifting of Mr. Leicester's deerstalker by a cool little nod, and whipped up Dot into a sharper trot. Leicester, who had pulled up, expecting a little parley, colored slightly, and to Bertie Fairfax's enthusiastic exclamation, "I say, Les, what a beautiful creature!" replied rather coldly:

"Do you think so? That is Miss Violet Mildmay."

Bertie glanced up at Leicester's face, and whistled comically.

"By Jove! she gave you the cut direct, Les."

"I saw it. I don't know," said Mr. Leicester with the most provoking gravity. "She did, most likely, if you say so, Bertie—you who are so well versed in woman's wiles and smiles."

"Hem!" laughed Bertie, "you haven't made much impression in that quarter, Les., and—hullo!" he broke off, with those names he was so fond of, and here they come, neck or nothing! By Heaven! they'll be over that wall, trap and all, if she don't pull them in directly!"

Leicester turned round sharply, and, without a word, set off running across the road.

"Keep a tight hand on the reins, dear," he cried in his deep, musical voice, as the two ponies came dashing along, with their wicked little heads thrown back and the tiny toy phaeton swinging and rocking behind them. "Keep a tight hand on the reins, and don't be frightened," he added, as he glanced at Violet's face, white with excitement, but set fast and firm, with determination and courage.

She nodded slightly, to show him that she heard and would obey, and he saw the tiny little hands close fast upon the reins.

The next instant he made a spring at the pony with a bridle, that the little animal was nearly knocked over, and dragged him to a standstill.

Snap went one of the traces, and up went Master Spot; but a round smack on the head from Leicester's hand quieted him, and then Leicester turned with a smile to the girl.

"You haven't quite acquired the art yet," he said, nodding laughingly. "I am afraid you do not use the whip enough."

Violet bit her lip with vexation for a moment in silence, then burst into a merry laugh, which had not a particle of fear in it.

"Tiresome little beast!" she said, "he would turn round! I did whip him, indeed I did! But he was so obstinate, and so—and so—I thought I would let him go!"

Mr. Leicester smiled incredulously, and Violet, understanding the smile, laughed again.

"Well, I really do believe I could have pulled him in if I had tried a little harder."

"Then you will not forgive me for interfering?" he said.

Violet's smile changed immediately, and her beautiful eyes grew grave.

"I am only jesting," she said in a low voice. "I know how kind you have been, and what you saved me from," and she glanced at the low wall significantly.

"You must not try tandem alone just yet," he said.

At that moment, which was rather an awkward one, Bertie Fairfax came up, and Leicester hastened to introduce him.

Violet bowed to the fair-haired Bertie, and after a glance of examination felt that she liked him.

"Is it sympathy or antipathy?" murmured Leicester, who was near her.

Violet flushed slightly. "Neither," she retorted in as low a voice.

"The trace is broken," said Bertie. "You cannot drive the little beggar any farther, Miss Mildmay."

"No," said Leicester, who seemed to have forgotten the ponies. "I will cut the connection, and divide the little rascals. You can then drive Master Spot home, and I can put Dot in my pocket."

Violet laughed.

"Really, it is a shame to give you so much trouble," she said. "Can you not tie him to a post? I can send Tom down for him."

"It is no trouble," said Leicester politely. "And, what is more, we were coming up to the Park. My mother and father have driven over to pay you a visit; my friend and I were to accompany them, but we preferred walking, and arranged to meet them."

"I hope I shall get home before they have gone," said Violet. "At least, you will let me take one of you up?"

But they both declined, and Violet started, leaving Leicester and Bertie to follow in the rebellious Spot.

"Well," said Leicester, with his half-cynical smile, as Bertie Fairfax looked after the disappearing phaeton, "I know you are dying to pronounce your opinion."

"I like her," said Bertie. "I think she's the most beautiful girl I've seen—bar one," he added sotto voce, "and I like the candid, fearless look of her face. Those violet-velvet eyes, too."

"Nonsense, they're brown," said Leicester; but, although his voice was mocking, Bertie knew that his praises had pleased his friend.

"You evidently think as much of her yourself, mon ami," he said significantly, "or you wouldn't drag that little beggar a mile and a half in a midsummer sun! Leicester's reformed! The bear is tamed!"

"Pshaw!" said Leicester. "Can't a man do a civil thing once in a while, but all you young puppies must yelp at him?"

"Young!" retorted Bertie. "I like that, old Methusaleh! Why, hang it, I'm older than you, if I haven't such a grim mug."

Leicester laughed.

"Then you've more years than sense, Bertie; so hold your tongue and come on. I'd give a shilling for a bottle of Bass. If this little beggar were a hand smaller, we'd tie his legs, sling him across your walking-stick, and carry him home in triumph, like a dead rabbit."

CHAPTER IX.

Fancy may play us such queer tricks
As to deceive the mind of reason and the soul
Of logic; and so befool the wisdom of a man.
BAILEY.

In due course they appeared at the Park, very dusty and rather hot. Mrs. Mildmay was greatly alarmed and distressed at the idea of their walking such a distance in such weather; but it was the captain who suggested that a little refreshment might be acceptable. Mr. Leicester eyed him for the first time with something like amiability.

"I'm thirsty, I'll admit," he said with his curt smile.

Mrs. Mildmay rang the bell.

"Some claret and hock, and some seltzer-water."

Violet, whose eyes were quick, saw a quiet twinkle in Mr. Fairfax's eyes, and said with a laugh:

"Perhaps you would prefer something else, Mr. Fairfax."

"No, not I," said wicked Bertie; "but Leicester here has acquired a most degraded taste for bitter beer."

And as Mr. Leicester did not take the trouble to deny the imputation, Violet added "and some bottles of ale."

The servant brought them, and while the gentlemen—including the captain, who said that he really could not resist the temptation—discussed them, Mrs. Dodson delivered herself of the purport of her visit.

Would Mrs. and Miss Mildmay and the captain come over to the Cedars and eat a friendly dinner with them on the morrow?

Mrs. Mildmay glanced interrogatively at Violet. Violet looked up smilingly and accepted.

"I shall be delighted, for my part," she said. "If it is really to be a very friendly, unceremonious evening."

The captain and Mrs. Mildmay echoed, and Mrs. Dodson looked pleased.

"It will be very quiet," she said. "We did expect Lord and Lady Boisdale from Coombe Lodge, but it is not certain whether they have come yet; if they have, they have promised to join us."

"I am so glad!" said Mrs. Mildmay, who was secretly quite surprised that the Dodsons should be on dining terms with the Lacklands' family. "I like Lady Lackland so much; I met them very often in town. Violet does not know them; they have not been to Coombe Lodge since she left school."

"Then you will come, and I hope we shall see them," said Mrs. Dodson, rising. "Seven o'clock. Have your gentlemen finished your ale, and do you mean to ride back?"

"I walk, please," said Leicester, rising.

"Then you must rest a little longer, I think," said Mrs. Mildmay.

So it happened that Mr. and Mrs. Dodson were escorted to their carriage and started off, and that Leicester and Bertie spent the afternoon resting in Violet's drawing-room and conservatory, and that, while Bertie was absorbed in conversation with the captain, Leicester was left to exchange notes and opinions with Violet.

Perhaps he did not seem so dull to Miss Mildmay that afternoon, and perhaps Mr. Leicester was not altogether unhappy, stretching his long legs among her ferns and flowers.

At seven o'clock on the following evening the Park carriage dashed up to the door of the Cedars, and Violet was delighted.

"Fancy calling upon those people, the tallow-chandlers,' antic," whispered Violet wickedly, as they were ushered through the immense hall to the magnificent drawing-room.

"Hush, my dear! they will hear you," murmured Mrs. Mildmay warningly, as Mrs. Dodson came forward to greet them.

But Violet was shaking hands with Mr. Leicester and Mr. Fairfax, the latter looking particularly handsome and lively in his evening dress.

"The Boisdales have not come yet," said Mr. Dodson; "but they are coming."

"And here they are," said Leicester, as another carriage, not quite so well appointed as the wealthy Mildmays', dashed up. Violet looked towards the door with some curiosity, which was transformed to pleased interest as Lady Ethel entered. Violet, whose likes and dislikes were most sudden and oftentimes unaccountable, liked Ethel at first sight. The two girls bowed first and then shook hands. There was no doubting Violet's open, kindly eyes, on Ethel's part, and Ethel's gentle, quiet smile, on Violet's.

"This is my brother Fitz," she said, as Violet made room for her on the sofa, and Violet looked up and saw good-natured, simple Lord Boisdale, standing, looking down at her with his boyish grin.

Violet felt herself superior to him immediately, and bowed quite condescendingly, as she would to a schoolboy. Lord Fitz felt—well, he never could tell how he felt at their first meeting, though he often tried to afterwards.

"What a pretty place this is!" said Ethel. "I am so sorry we have not known more of it. It is the prettiest drive possible up the cliff."

"And that house with the green old buildings on the hill," said Lord Boisdale, "is quite a treat. I wonder who owns it?"

"Miss Violet Mildmay," said Mr. Fairfax, who was standing near, quite silent, for a wonder, and looking out of the corner of his frank blue eyes at Ethel.

"Eh? Eh? I beg your pardon," said Lord Fitz, coloring.

"You have done nothing to need it," said Violet. "I am quite grateful to you for admiring what I love."

"Well, it is pretty," said Lord Fitz. "By Jove! prettier than this," he added in a loud whisper, which was fortunately drowned by the announcement of dinner.

Mr. Dodson took in Lady Ethel, Lord Fitz followed up with Mrs. Mildmay, and Violet found herself upon Captain Fairfax's arm; but Leicester Dodson sat near her at dinner, and, being at home, found it his duty to talk.

It was a pleasant dinner, exquisitely cooked and served by discreet, attentive, and noiseless servants. Once or twice Violet glanced over at her aunt, with an arch smile that said: "We looked down on these tallow-chandlers, remember!" but most of the time her attention was taken up by Mr. Leicester, who, in his grave, cynical way, amused her very much. The captain exerted himself, and proved that he knew something of the world in which Lady Ethel moved by inquiring after a number of people, whose names, by-the-way, he had gleaned from the Peerage that morning. Looking at him, listening to him, one would have thought him the most polished, simple-minded gentleman, without a scheme or an unworthy thought, whereas the captain was only a most wonderful actor, and could assume the character of a refined gentleman to a nicety. It was what Mr. Dodson had pronounced it should be—a friendly dinner; there was no lack of talking, and a great deal of laughter. Lady Ethel's sweet, musical laugh was heard frequently. Mr. Bertie Fairfax sat next her, and he had a character for humor. When the ladies returned to the drawing-room the gentlemen seemed to miss them, and after a very little wine was consumed they followed them.

Somebody proposed whist to Mr. Dodson presently. The captain said it was a good idea, and simple-minded Fitz, Mr. Dodson, and Bertie and the captain sat down, just for a rubber, while the ladies gave them a little music. Leicester could play a good hand at any game of cards, and was fond of whist, but he found himself at Violet's side, by the piano.

It was a beautiful night, and the gentlemen, leaving their card-table, from which the captain had carried fifty shillings, clustered around the open French windows. Bertie went to arrange a cushion for Lady Ethel, and managed to linger near her for a few minutes.

"I did not expect to see you, Mr. Fairfax."

"If you are sorry, I will go away," he said.

"No, do not," said Ethel, smiling. "I had forgotten that Fitz had told me you were to stay here."

Bertie's face clouded.

"Of course," he said. "How should you remember? We have had a heavy season."

"Oh, yes, very!" said Ethel with a sigh that was rather weary, "and we are so glad to get into the country. I am fond of riding and walking."

"So am I," said Bertie, feeling that he could walk to the end of the world for her, and farther still with her. "There are beautiful walks and drives about here," he added.

"Are there?" said Ethel. "I do not know many. We do not generally come down to the Lodge; we go to Warwickshire more often."

"Yes, Leicester told me you hunted; perhaps, if we made a riding party, you would join us?"

"Yes, Fitz would be delighted," said Ethel. "He finds it dull in the country, poor fellow! He misses the club and his gossip."

Bertie looked over at the "poor fellow," where he stood talking with boyish eagerness and timidly to Violet, and he did not look very dull then.

"How beautiful Miss Mildmay is!" said Ethel. "I admire her face so much."

"Yes," said Bertie, and, as he glanced at Leicester, who was talking to the captain but looking at Violet, he thought he could mention another person who did.

"Is Captain Murpoint any relation?" asked Ethel.

"No, a friend of her father," said Bertie, and the conversation changed to the projected driving party.

The captain was induced to sing, and the audience dropped into silence; for when Captain Murpoint played and sang he was considered most effectively, and never did he sing more effectively than he did then. When the carriage came up the party was loth to break up.

Coombe Lodge was within such an easy drive, and the Park so near, that, as Mr. Dodson said, they were in a position to say, "We will merely moonlight it," and Leicester proposed that, if they insisted upon going, they should send the carriages on at a slow pace, and walk themselves part of the way. The proposal was seized with alacrity by the younger portion of the party, and the elder consented to the arrangement on condition that the ladies should be properly wrapped up. Heaps of shawls were produced, and Leicester and Bertie, Fitz and the captain, were very assiduous in wrapping the ladies into the resemblance of mummies. Violet laughingly declared that she wouldn't be smothered, and discarded one of three shawls which Leicester had put around her, and only kept on the other two because he insisted upon their remaining.

They started and sauntered on, the moonlight pouring down upon them its soft, placid, fitful light, and bathing sea and land, cliff and hollow in a silver stream. The party soon broke up into groups. Fitz and Leicester with Violet, Bertie and Ethel with Mrs. Mildmay, and the captain and Mr. and Mrs. Dodson.

It was certainly a tempting night, and the young people seemed to quietly revel in it. Twice the Lackland carriage was sent on; but at last Ethel decided that they had better get in, and, much to Bertie's inward grief, Fitz consented.

"The day after to-morrow, then," he said, as he closed the carriage-door. "You will not forget that as your forgotten man?"

"No," said Ethel, laughing, but with a slight flush; "I will not forget, and I hope we shall all have a nice ride. Good-night."

Bertie bent over her hand, and held it until he was in danger of the wheels. Then Leicester declared that he would go on as far as the park, and return with a cigar.

"You may light it now," said Violet, "if you like. I do not mind."

Leicester was very grateful, and lit it.

By some means the captain attracted Bertie's attention as they neared the park, and so, calling him away, left Leicester and Violet alone.

They did not seem to notice it, however, and stopped to look at the ruins of the old abbey clinging to the new house.

"Beautiful!" said Leicester. "Bertie has been in ecstasies over this; he is an author and an artist, you know."

"I like him," said Violet in her decisive way.

"So do I," said Leicester. "He is my best friend. My rooms and his in the Temple adjoin."

"Do they?" said Violet. "How strange it sounds: 'In the Temple.' What do you do in chambers?"

"He works hard. I—smoke, drink, read, think, and watch him working."

Violet laughed.

"It must be very nice," she said softly. "Look!" she said suddenly; "that is the ghost's window."

"That long oriel window?" said Leicester. "You promised to tell me about your pet ghost."

"Don't joke about it," she said with a short laugh. "Ask the fishermen about it. No man, woman or child would pass that tower after dark."

"What sort of ghost is it?" asked Leicester with extreme levity. He did not believe in the supernatural.

"Have you never heard the legend?" said Violet. "It is a strange one."

"Tell it me here; it is a fine opportunity, and proper surroundings. Is it a man or a woman?"

"A woman," said Violet. "It is called the Gray Nun, and it only appears when some evil is about to occur in the Park or the village."

"Have you ever seen it?" asked Leicester, smiling.

"No," said Violet, "but I have often heard people describe it who have seen it."

"What is it like?"

"A nun," said Violet, "in white robes, with a skull's face and two gleaming eyes. My old nurse has seen it three times. And after each appearance something dreadful or unfortunate happened either at the Park or at the village. Once the old farm took fire and was burnt down, the second time one of the Godolphins, who were then living at the Abbey, was drowned in the bay, and the third time a child fell off the cliff."

"The people of Penruddie should insure their lives after the ghost appears," said Leicester, laughing.

"You laugh; but is it not strange?" said Violet gravely. "And, what is more strange to my mind, all the descriptions of the apparition by the different persons who have seen it tally exactly. All say it is a woman in white robes, with a skull's face and gleaming eyes, and that it carries a strange, shaded light, which throws a fearful, dim glare for some distance. Is it not awful?"

Leicester smiled.

"Not very," he said. "I have seen better at Drury-lane. And does your ghost confine herself to that lower and oriel window, or does she perambulate?"

"Yes, she has been seen at that small window on the right, you see, which the ivy half covers."

"I see," he said; "and what room is that?"

"A room in the old abbey, which was left standing by my father's directions," said Violet in a low voice. "He used it as a sort of study or reading-room, and when he died it was closed up."

"It is empty, then?" said Leicester.

"No; we would have nothing removed. There is all the old furniture as it used to be when he lived. It used to be left undisturbed while he was absent on his voyages, and it is undisturbed now."

"It is a room for a ghost," said Leicester.

Violet nodded.

"Yes," she said. "Look, the moon is obscured. How dark it is. Ah! what is that?" she broke off with a scared, dry voice, clutching Leicester's arm.

"What—where?" he asked quickly, and laying his hand upon hers.

"There—in the room! at the window!" she breathed. "It has gone!"

"What?" he asked, still keeping the hand which she seemed too frightened to remove.

"I—I—scarcely know," she said brokenly, and with a shudder which Leicester felt. "A something white, with a light, at that little window."

"Oh, are you sure?" he asked doubtfully, anxious to convince her that it was mere fancy. "Remember, we have just been talking about the ghost."

"No, no, it was not fancy," she said. "I saw it plainly enough. I was not thinking of it as I spoke, and I saw it when the moon got behind the cloud. It was in my father's room."

At that moment she started again. A voice so close beside her that it seemed to spring from the ground said:

"Miss Mildmay, where are you! Oh, here you are!"

And Captain Murpoint came up.

"How interested you look! What are you talking about?"

"Ghosts," said Leicester, fixing his dark, scrutinizing eyes upon him. "Did you not hear Miss Mildmay call out?"

"No," said the captain innocently; "I only just came up."

But he had been close beside them for some minutes, and had not only heard Violet's low cry of terror, but the whole of the conversation.

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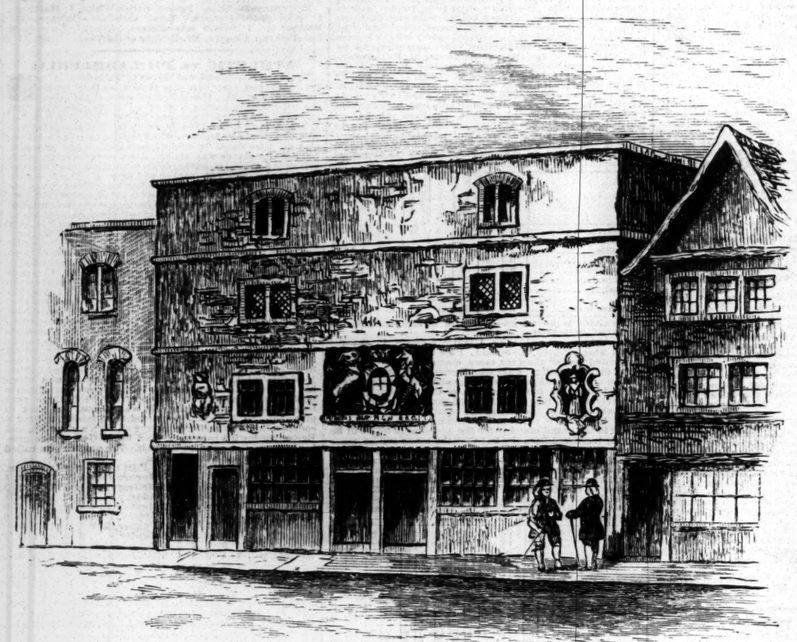

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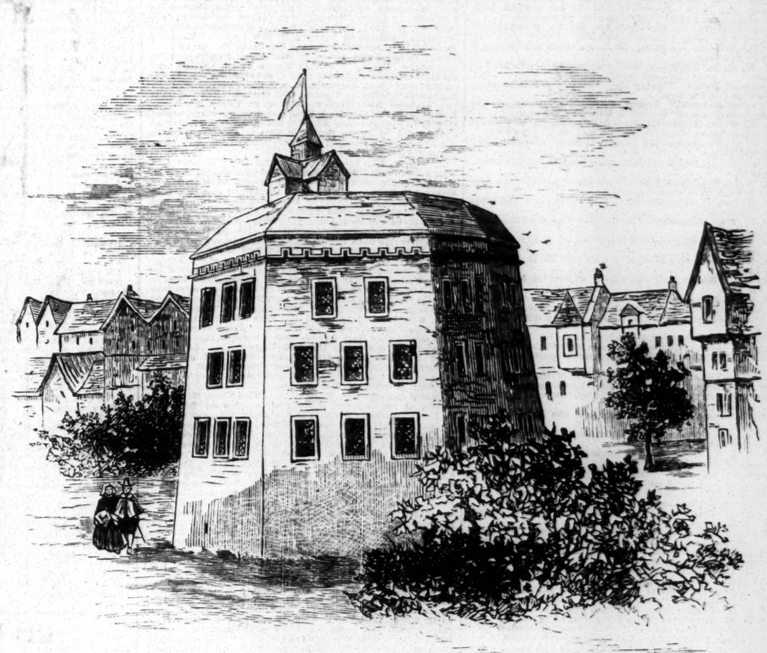

THE GLOBE THEATRE,
London, Eng., 1593.

IN THE CHURCHYARD.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER.

In the little village churchyard
An old man wearily walked.
Reading the names on the head-stones
The while to himself he talked;
Wearily, wearily walked he,
Wearily to and fro:
"Ah," murmured the old man sadly,
"I knew them years ago."

"Ah, yes," said he, "the young and the old—
Those who were proud and fair—
And those who were lowly and humble,
Together are sleeping there;
And soon," said the sad old veteran,
The while he heaved a sigh,
"A few more years and a few more tears,
And I with them must lie."

And, nearing a massive headstone,
The name thereon he read;
He grasped his few remaining locks,
And he smote his ancient head—
"Good heavens!" he shrieked, when did the man die?
And his form with grief was beat;
"He owed me two hundred dollars,
And I never shall get a cent!" J. H. B.

ROMEO AND JULIET.

NEW YORK, Oct. 13, 1875.

EDITOR NEW YORK CLIPPER.—*Dear Sir:* For the benefit of the lovers of a fine game at cards, I should like to invite attention to a very attractive pastime much favored in the Netherlands. It is there called "Pandour;" suppose we should call it in this goodly city, once called New Amsterdam, "Knickerbocker?" Just as you, Mr. Editor, and the aforementioned "lovers of a fine game," may elect—always provided it should be found sufficiently interesting.

Its chief novelty consists in its changing partners—that is, while A and B might be contending against C and D the first hand, A and C might be playing against B and D the very next. This peculiarity is considered an attraction, as the game in this way becomes, as it were, more sociable, doing away with that semipartisan feeling cropping out sometimes where the same two parties remain partners during the whole entertainment.

If you wish to hear more of it, *voila!* I shall be brief as I can; but even then I fear I shall occupy considerable space. I shall have to beg the pardon of my Dutch friends for not giving the game in full, for I intend to omit certain parts, without which the game appears to me "just as nice." Like almost every game, it can be played for money or otherwise, at the option of the player. I found it gave zest, while at the same time it did not go beyond the bounds of moderation, to let one of the "chips," which I shall mention presently, represent one-fifth of a cent; in other words—five chips for a "penny."

Thirty-three cards are used—the ace, king, queen, jack, ten, nine, eight and seven spots of each of the four suits, together with the six of hearts. Their value, when not trumps, is in the order named. When trumps it is as follows: Jack and nine become respectively first and second best trumps, and after them come ace, king, queen, etc. The remaining card is only added in order that there may be a deck-card. It does not belong to the dealer. A set of chips, to be redeemed by money at "going-home time" or not, is also requisite.

One chip having been put into the pool by each of the four parties, and the cards having been dealt—eight apiece, four at a time—the remaining card is turned face down, only to be seen by those who choose upon their depositing another chip. It is optional with the player to take this card by discarding another.

The task now before each of the four players is to accomplish one of two objects. First, either alone or with the assistance of a partner, to gain every trick; or, second, to lose every trick—or, in other words, compel the three others to take all his cards. The first division of the game or "object" we will call "Juliet," the second "Romeo." We will designate the players as A, B, C and D.

A having dealt, B, the party to his left, has the first "say," and the option of doing one of three things. He can either "pass," or call "Romeo" or "Juliet." It is to his advantage, if possible, to play Romeo; for, if he succeeds in that undertaking, he scores the pool and receives five chips additional of his friends, thereby securing all the profits to himself. He need not have all the low cards to do this. For instance, all the cards of one suit—say spades, minus the eight-spot, or hearts without the seven—would be an excellent "Romeo" hand, provided his eighth cards were not too high. In the second instance he would lead the seven of spades, saying "Hearts trumps," (The heart-suit is best, because it contains one more card than the other suits.) One of his three opponents must have the eight of spades and take the trick. This party has a low card of some other suit (not trumps), and all the other party has to do is to get rid of his eighth card. Even should that be the ace of, say diamonds, if his opponent has led a club, he is obviously all right, as he cannot be made to take a trick.

But it is by no means certain that B will be permitted to play "Romeo;" for C, finding his hand full of high cards, such as aces, kings, etc., without any low cards, will see at once that B will probably win "Romeo" if allowed to play it. Therefore, if C has the ace, nine and ace of one suit—even the first two might do—he will say, "I pass," B will say, "Juliet," a couple of aces, with their kings or queens besides, he calls "Juliet Prive." Juliet, it will be remembered, means the winning of *all* the tricks with the assistance of a partner, and has precedence over "Romeo." Juliet Prive, however, is higher, for it means to take *all* the tricks alone. To return, if C thinks he can win all the tricks alone, he calls Juliet Prive. But it is not often that so strong a hand is held against three opponents, and he would be more likely to call Juliet, and that might be accomplished as follows:

Suppose him (C) to have the three highest, viz., jack, nine and ace of any spades, the ace, king and a low heart, and the king and seven of clubs. He could make spades trumps, and reasonably hope, with the assistance of whoever holds the ace of clubs, to win every trick—in fact, this would be a first-class "Juliet" hand, although not sure, for this reason: he having but three of eight (in hearts three of nine) trumps, the fire or six remaining trumps might be all held by one party *not* his partner. Even four of the remaining five or six, being so placed, would defeat him. He has, however, to take that risk, and calls "Juliet."

If neither D nor A is able to go higher than "Juliet," he "passes," and it comes again to the turn of B, who has another say. If

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

☞ Letters seeking information replied to only through this department; no answers by mail.

J. B., St. George.—It has always been our rule, and it is the practice of a large majority of euchre-players, that an assisted player, having no option as to making the trump, and especially no right to take advantage of his partner's unprotected hand, cannot play alone. The theory that he can originated in error some thirteen years ago, and has been stubbornly adhered to ever since, causing much confusion, and frequently unjust losses of money. It is better to avoid all chance for a dispute by barring an "assistance." The partner who would prefer to play alone must either "pass" or play alone, and the other dealer can have no intimation as to what cards his partner holds. The better class of players now do this.

E. TAYLOR, Odessa.—The fastest time made by an ocean steamer from Queenstown, Ireland, to New York (ocean-ruling time from Roche's Point to Sandy Hook, and adding 4h. 31m. for difference in time), is 7d. 23h. 7m. The Germanic, of the White Star line, viz., 7d. 23h. 7m. She left the Point at 11.38 A. M. July 30, and arrived off the Hook at 6.20 A. M. Aug. 7 (apparent time). The Russia, of Berlin made the passage in 7d. 18h. September 1 (City of Berlin made the passage in 7d. 18h. same time, which is the best on record.

E. M., Pittsburg.—"If a person bets on a sure thing, does he lose any money or win? Or, if A, B and C each have horses entered for a race, and they arrange that C wins the race, D, knowing the arrangements, bets C will win with E. Does E lose or win? Is it a sure thing for D?" The question of "sure thing" is not involved here. The case is one of downright fraud, and it is only necessary to establish fraud to invalidate any bet.

BERNARD, St. Louis.—During her early career she may or may not have done so. Small traveling companies often starred one of their number in years gone by. It would be impossible to keep a correct record of every town an actor or an actress performed in during their entire professional career. The lady you name is now performing at Niblo's Garden, strictly speaking, and since she has sung she has not acted in any of the towns you name.

MAJOR K., Athol.—If a horse repeatedly runs or paces in the same heat of a trotting race, the judges are required either to place him last in the heat or to distance him; bet for an occasional break there is no other penalty, provided the driver has endeavored to pull him to his gait, than that he be sent back to the distance he has gained. Thus a horse may run and still win the race, or he may be distanced. Such is Rule 30.

JOHN AND CHARLES, Buffalo.—The difference of one cent is the difference between selling 60 apples at three for five cents, and selling 30 at two for a cent and 30 others at three for one cent. A has attempted to worry Eve with this problem, but she discovered at once that it rested entirely upon a "catch" or fraudulent statement. Follow Eve's example, and "give it up."

W. S., Tarshaud Chemical Mines.—1. The first theatre built in New York of which there is any record was located on the east side of Nassau street, between John street and Maiden lane. 2. What poem has been dramatized by many people. 3. It would be difficult to decide such a question. 4. Since 1849. 5. THE CLIPPER was first issued in 1853.

A NEW SUBSCRIBER, Muncie.—1. Yes; Charles A. Dana of *The Sun*, associated with George Ripley of *The Tribune*, is editing an encyclopædia. 2. Shannon, Miller & Crane, 49 Maiden lane. 3. Of Barnet, school-book publisher, P. O. box, N. Y. 4. If can be had anywhere. 5. Of Ed. James, whose advertisement see elsewhere in this issue. 6. Are already supplied.

J. E. M.—1. The fastest boat on the Hudson River is the Mary Powell. 2. The fastest boat on the Harlem line is the Sylvan Dell; but which is the fastest boat running on the Harlem River is a point that has yet to be determined between the Mail and the Shady Side. 3. Italian marble is the more costly.

G. A. HAYS.—Yes. On May 10 of this year E. P. Weston began an attempt, at Caribou, Me., of 2,325 miles in six days, at the Aroostook Industrial building, this city, but succeeded in accomplishing but 375 miles when time was up. On the 17th of the same month he reattempted the feat, but at noon on the 25th retired, having walked 200 miles.

J. C., Charleston.—1. The weight of the Hon. John Morrissey is unknown to us. 2. If he ever offered to bet $400,000 in 2:14 or run trotter a mile in 2:14, he made such an application of salt. The fact that no such bet has been made is fair proof that neither he nor anybody else ever offered to make it.

G. E. MCK.—We advise you to abandon all idea of it. It would be necessary for you to study for some years under a distinguished professor, either in this country or in England, to make a musical education, and such study would require great influence to procure an opportunity for you to make a debut on the professional stage.

GOODWIN, Boston.—Your bet was defective! as soon as play began, and you were bound by the action of the club. They having thrown up the game, you lose. It may seem harsh, this decision; but were any other to be given, no game, whether ball or of anything else, would ever be finished.

ENQUIRER, Indianapolis.—1. Having "built" nines, before starting them in you could build sevens. 2 A having combined and called (say) seven, B could not use an ace in his hand along with a deuce on the board to build that seven to ten. He could only do it with a three-spot in hand.

A. G., Washington.—1. It would depend upon the condition of the atmosphere. 2. Many persons have performed upon a trapeze suspended from a balloon while making an ascension, and have continued their feats until the balloon was lost to the view of people on the earth.

R. H., Princeville.—Your letter is not worthy of command any salary until you had satisfied the manager that you possessed ability. At the start you would probably receive, if successful, a salary of $25 per week, which would be increased according to your deserts.

H. S. AND J. T.—The difference in time between New York and Liverpool is 5h. Remarkable time it is at 4.22m., which may be said to represent the difference between Sandy Hook and Roche's Point, this side of Queenstown.

H. M. A.—T. The City of Boston, lost in February or March, 1870, belonged to the Inman line. 2. John Hancock was never elected Governor of Massachusetts—more than ten or eleven times. 3. It is a matter of opinion as to the best batter.

LAPSUS LINGUÆ, Vallejo.—1. The English language contains more words than any other. 2. No language can be said to have anything like a given number of words. Old ones are dying out, and new ones springing up yearly to meet circumstances. 3. Classified in what respect?

A. B., Cincinnati.—It is not necessary in this city that a voter shall be a taxpayer also.

J. B. F., Poughkeepsie.—Searcher made 1:41¾ at Lexington, Ky., May 13, 1875. 2. Letter sent with old bills.

UMPIRE.—A player can take all the bases on a passed ball, unless there is a ground rule to the contrary.

FLYAWAY, St. Joseph.—1. The underhand throw is allowed. 2. The rule says "nearly" perpendicular.

MR. BEVERLY, Philadelphia.—We presume he is the person whom you refer. We appeared upon the variety stage as a dancer and in sketches.

JAMESTOWN.—It has not been done by any other person.

JOHN RIORDAN, Mt. Washington.—Riordan and Sayers fought on April 17, 1860; Lazarus and Harrigan, June 10, 1857.

J. P. F., Boston.—No answers by mail. She is not with that company, but is residing in retirement in some part of California.

G. H. COX, Owensboro.—It is a matter of opinion. San Francisco has probably the finest hotel of all in this country.

E. K. L., Philadelphia.—1. B had won the bet as soon as he had put up $5. 2. There is no standard work. No two works agree.

UMPIRE, Dayton.—Your spotting of your ball was tantamount to a shot, and your partner should play after the opponent spoken of.

"S," Detroit.—A silver half-dollar of 1838 is not scarce, and has no special value. Try and exchange it for one of 1839, '38 or '39, all of which are in demand.

OHIO.—Drop curtains are not painted in oil, but in distemper. The cost would be from $100 to $1,000, according to the ability and reputation of the artist.

RAH, STOCKINGS.—Your letter was sent to the papers. 2. The shortest on record, we believe, is not less than an hour, in a game between professional nines.

OLD, Chicago.—The bet is decided by the score. A loses. Had fewer than five innings been played, the bet would be a draw.

J. MAC S., Commonsburg.—As there was no attempt made to execute the feat, the bets between outside parties are to be drawn.

J. E. G.—The Tipton Slasher's proper name is William Perry. He did not fight a man bearing the name you mention.

—H. G.—As we understand the question, which is not clearly put, there was an excess of $200 on the mortgage, and A paid $200 of it, leaving $200 still to be credited.

MCK., Fifteenth street.—The buildings at Quarantine were burned by the mob in September, 1858. No answers by mail.

"KEMPTON'S BITTERS."—Assuredly, it is a valid bet. To decide otherwise would be to handicap knowledge or intelligence with the disadvantage of ignorance.

J. T. S., Chestnutl.—Pedro counts after "game" when the play is "Pedro," but last when the play is "Sancho-Pedro."

W. R. C., Beloit.—No answers by mail. Read the Dramatic Summary of THE CLIPPER.

LADY, Pella.—If you persevere in the right, you will, probably, soon overcome the weakness.

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A. J. S., Carthage.—1. Write to the club you wish to join. 2. A goes out, if 30 was game; if 31, if 32.

BIG NIG.—Try and get an opening in some minor variety theatre.

J. B., Lewiston.—Bunker Hill, about 221 feet; London Monument, 202 feet.

W. H., Hudson.—George S. Thurber, 119 East Randolph street, Chicago, Ill.

M. S., Harrisburg.—1. Engagements are not made so early in the season. 2. A solution of bismuth is rose-water.

STEVEN MCCORMACK, Streator.—No. Tom Sayers never visited the United States.

MAX, Pittsburg.—Billy Edwards' height, stocking feet, is exactly 5ft. 4¾in.; fighting weight, 126lb.

C. H. H.—We presume that he carried 113¾lb in each hand.

LOUIS, Dowagiac.—Yes over the gentleman a cigar made of tobacco.

J. M. C., Portland.—Lula has never been acknowledged "Queen of the Turf."

ELM, Schuylerville.—High, low, jack, game, sancho, pedro (five-spot).

TORONTO, Pearl.—Lula made 2:15, a third heat, against Netus, at Buffalo, Aug. 10, 1875.

HICKMAN AND USHER, Bingham Canon.—Goldsmith Maid, 2:14; Lula, 2:15.

J. A. C., Boston.—Lula's best record is 2:15, made at Buffalo Aug. 10, 1875, against Nettie.

JAKE.—1, 2, 3. We believe not at present. 4. Fulton street, Fourth Municipal. 5. Boston, Mass.

CANADIEN.—Write to the Rev. T. De Witt Talmage, *Christian Union* office, New York.

L. A. B., Phila.—Provided there is no misdeal, jack turned up counts before anything else. A was out.

C. A. S., Paducah.—E and D are entitled to count two points for euchring A on his lone hand.

D. B., Reading.—A loses. Making a tie is not beating a club by five runs.

M. W. S., St. Louis.—A flush will beat three of a kind at poker.

SAMPSON, Dallas.—Having made the two points he gave, A went out on his high.

"YOUNG FELLOW," Toccoa City.—The owner of the nommes-de-plume of "Guida" is Miss De La Raim.

J. W. R., St. Louis.—Unless it was agreed to turn down sweeps as fast as matched, A could call out on his sweep.

A. M., Pittsburg.—Ed. Searles is dead. His best jump was 13ft. 5¾in.

T. H. E.—Question enisladid until too late for this week. See next.

A. W. L., Bridgeport.—We do not know whether the firm is at present in existence or not.

A. R. TIST, Washington.—It is very clever, and shall appear in our next.

C., West Wheeling.—The subject shall receive our attention.

R. W. C., Cincinnati.—Six is highest at poker dice, and ace is lowest.

J. A., Baltimore.—The party who tied W. is entitled to the game.

E. W. C., Boston.—B, who was 99, as well as A, goes out on his high.

A. C., Woonsocket.—No averages are made out, except by correspondents, until the close of the season.

T. MCK.—Because he has signed to play with the Bostons.

LAUGHLIN, Baltimore.—Provided that no misdeal occurred in the round in which jacks or tens were dealt, it is good.

W. M., Dubuque.—Brief notes as to sports will be acceptable.

VOTER.—You must take out your papers, unless your father-in-law was naturalized before you were twenty-one.

DOCTOR CERTAINTY, Boston.—No answers as to circulation of newspapers.

OLD SUBSCRIBER, Pickwick Club.—If the Navy Yard at Kittery is meant, it is in Maine.

GEORGE MCCARTHY.—Tom Hyer died June 26, 1864; Nat Langham, Sept. 1, 1871.

J. D. B., Boston.—The bet is a draw. A meant one thing, and B another.

G. R. T., McGregor.—Give us the particulars. We have no time to hunt them up.

W. J., Buffalo.—We are compelled to decline your offer, as the reports are not suitable.

LITTLE BUCKSNOR.—Apply to Dilsen & Co., 711 Broadway, N. Y.

B. FLAT, Taunton.—No; he is now in Europe. He owns a farm in Minnesota, where he frequently resorts for a change.

A REGULAR SUBSCRIBER, Louisville.—Not married.

T. J., Nashville.—P. F. Baker and T. J. Farron.

C. W., Minneapolis.—All right.—no harm done.

S. R., Ayer Junction.—See "W. D., Moline."

PRINGTOWN, Lehighton.—212, by M. Daly.

OLD BLADER, Chicago.—One-third, generally.

J. M., Sullivan.—We know of no such firm.

WHITEWASH, Chicago.—Cannot tell you.

P. H., Worcester.—We cannot say.

N. A. E., Boston.—High-sancho wins.

J. W. O., Concord.—It is a sweep.

LAW B., Amsterdam.—Call in our cards.

FATTY.—No; position, standing.

J. H., Hyde Park.—About 35.

P. E. I., Clarendon.—1:41¾.

INQUIRER.—Sancho.

NOTICE.

THE CLIPPER ALMANAC FOR 1876.

We are now busily engaged in compiling THE CLIPPER ALMANAC for the centennial year, and believe that it will be more interesting than either of its predecessors. With the exception of the "Fastest Recorded Time" department, which will be carefully revised, so as to be a reliable record up to the end of the year 1875, the matter will be all fresh, and of a character alike useful and entertaining to the general and professional reader.

As an advertising medium, THE CLIPPER ALMANAC cannot be surpassed. The statistics and records it contains insure its being preserved for years. The circulation of THE ALMANAC for 1874, and of that for 1875, far exceeded our expectations.

To such of our patrons as desire to avail themselves of its pages to make their business known to one another and to the public, we would suggest that their favors be sent in as early as possible, as those received first will be given preference of place. It is our desire to close the forms early in December.

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IN THE METROPOLIS the penalty for killing your mother is seven years' imprisonment; but this does not include *mothers-in-law!* Nor does it place a very high estimate on mothers, in law!

WE READ that "*A man-eating shark* was recently captured off Block Island." Well, we had supposed that a man could eat shark or anything else. Alas! this is no longer a land of freedom!

BROTHER BERCHER has let up on Moulton and Tilton, his stiff against them for libel having been discontinued. This is Christian-like, and evinces a desire for dove-eyed peace.

ABOUT THIS TIME baseball clubs meet for the purpose of whitewashing and making straight begrimed and "crooked" players.

MANY OF our politicians need not be cold this winter, if getting "*warmed*" by *The Sun* will prevent it.

THOSE WHO DRINK *straight* whiskey are very *crooked* in their dispositions and movements.

LATEST PUBLICATIONS.—The "Live Bullet," by the author of "The Dead Shot;" "The Nickel-plated Gardener," by the author of "The Golden Farmer;" "The Ladies' Fan," by the author of "Raising the Wind;" "Cheap Jewelry," by the author of "All that Glitters is not Gold;" "The Handsomest Woman in Town," by the author of "My Neighbor's Wife;" "Death in New Jersey," by the author of "Life in New York;" "The Adventures of a Piston Rod," by the author of "In and Out of Place."

SINCE UTICA has adopted the plan of putting tramps to work on the public streets, those restless spirits have no longer an abiding faith in that sentiment which declares that "No pent-up Utica contracts our powers."

THERE ARE two awkward things in this world—one is a *tustle with a bear*, and the other *a bustle with a fair!*

MOUNTAIN *ranges* are not always warm places.

NEWS OF THE WEEK BOILED DOWN.

☞ On Oct. 18: It was announced per cable that twenty-one lives were lost on the wreck of the schooner Sophie et Julie, on the French coast; that *The Peking Gazette* has published an edict concerning the death of Morgary which was considered satisfactory, and the representative of war between England and China are dissipated for the present; that the Emperor William of Germany was received at Milan by the King of Italy; that the Allonsists hold all the towns in Catalonia, Spain; that a banquet in honor of ex-President Thiers was given at Arcachon, in the Gironde, France, and in an address M. Thiers said that the Republic must be maintained, and denied that France would thereby be isolated, as the European policy of the future will be peace and non-intervention; that the British Government was investigating the reported shipment from London, as merchandise, of 60 tons of small-arms ammunition for the Chinese; that 600 Dalmatians were defeated in an attack on a Turkish village; and that J. & W. Dudgeon, engineers, of London, Eng., had failed—liabilities, $500,000..... Jacob Wesner was killed by being run over by a truck, in this city..... Pauline Sanberger committed suicide by hanging, in this city..... Rogers & Burleigh, iron manufacturers of Pittsburg, Pa., failed..... Joseph Grimes was killed by Bad Anne, a negress, at St. Genevieve, Mo..... Joseph Evans killed himself accidentally while out hunting near Frackville, Pa..... It was stated that Clark Edmondson, a negro, charged with assault, was lynched at Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 16..... Dave Sullivan stabbed Neil Davis to death at St. Louis, Mo..... Losses by fire: Gilchrist & Kent's and seven other stores, Orangeville, Ont.—loss $30,000; the steamer Jacques Cartier, owned by Angar, Smith & Co., at Quebec, Que., on the 16th, Alonzo Fatchen's tannery, Bolceville, N. Y.—loss about $18,000, partially insured.

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DEATH'S DOINGS.

Weekly Record of the Decease of Prominent Individuals.

COMPILED EXPRESSLY FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER.

ANDREWS, Col. Isaac Mix.—A native of Newark, N. J., and descended from an old family of that State. His father was a magistrate and general of militia there, and he himself in his youth accompanied Admiral Coe in his South American expedition.—Newburg, N. Y., Oct. 19, aged 68.

BARKER, James.—Known as "the converted infidel," and somewhat prominent about twenty years ago, because of the discussions he held, mainly at Concert Hall, Philadelphia, with leading divines of that city. Subsequently he traveled in England, of which country he was a native, and, forswearing those views which had ruffled the tranquillity of Philadelphia, seated himself in the easier chair of christianity, was ordained an orthodox minister, and in his new fashion commanded large audiences.—Omaha, Nebraska, Sept. 15.

BUCKMAN, Morris.—An old Philadelphia coal merchant that city.—Oct. 18, aged 70.

COCKERELL, Colonel J. R.—A native of Virginia. Removed to Ohio, and from that State was sent to the Thirty-fourth Congress, which embraces the Eighth, Ninth and Fifteenth Wards of this city. This is an excellent choice; for, although Dr. Boyd is a thorough Democrat in the true sense of the term, yet he has never identified himself with any political party, and has always heretofore voted for what he considered to be the best measures and the best men, irrespective of party. His principles are most liberal and generous, and he is possessed of none of those prejudices which too often influence the actions of men of inferior talents and less cultivation. As to Dr. Boyd's professional abilities, we have only to say that his high reputation as a lawyer is too widely known to require any comment at this time. For the benefit of the Third Judicial District, we sincerely hope that Dr. Boyd may be elected.

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DAVIS, Hon. R. T.—A prominent member of the bar of Bourbon County, Ky., and president of the Northern Bank of Kentucky. He was the eldest son of the late Hon. Garret Davis, and his death is attributed to an overdose of chloral, which he was in the habit of using.—Paris, Ky., Oct. 21.

FARLOW, Levi B.—Ward Clerk in the office of the District attorney of Kings County, N. Y., and a member of the Board of Education of that city. He was of the well-known Farlow family, marine-engine builders years ago, and one of whom has since been prominently identified with the U. S. Navy.—It is said, of heart disease, Oct. 21.

FISH, Hon. Hamilton.—In December, 1870, elected Representative from the Fourth Congressional District of Tennessee, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John W. Head, who had not lived to take his seat, as was also the case with Representative Fisher, Hot Springs, Ark., Oct. 23.

HUDSON, Frederic—Journalist. Born in Quincy, Mass., April 25, 1819. Educated in the schools of Boston and Concord, and, coming to this city when he was sixteen years of age, found employment in the office of *The Express*, a paper that went out of existence, whereupon he obtained a situation as clerk in a counting-house here. Soon afterwards, answering the advertisement of James Gordon Bennett, who, on May 6, 1838, had started *The New York Herald*, and needed an assistant, he was employed as a reporter on that paper, his duties multifarious, but shipping-news his specialty. As a news-gatherer he soon became noted in metropolitan journalism, and ultimately he was advanced to the position of manager of *The Herald*. In this capacity he remained until 1862, when, on the cooperation of the late Henry J. Raymond of *The Times*, what is now a great power as the New York Associated Press—at the inception simply a combination between *The Herald*, *Courier and Enquirer* and *Journal of Commerce*, for the purpose of procuring shipping-news. In 1866 he retired from the management of *The Herald*, and later, after the death of Henry J. Raymond, he was offered the editorship of *The Times*, a position he declined. His retirement from *The Herald* had been dictated by feeble health, and we believe that he remained in comparative retirement from the paper. About 1871, while he was living in retirement in Concord, Mass., Harper & Brothers published his well-known book—"History of American Journalism." A son, Woodward Hudson, and one surviving, was the only issue of a marriage contracted in 1844 with Miss Eliza Woodward of Quincy, Mass., and sister of the late Dr. Woodward, who founded the Woodward Institute, now being built in that town. Mrs. Hudson is still living, but has been an invalid for years. While riding in a carriage, struck by a railroad locomotive Oct. 20, and died Oct. 21—Concord, Mass., aged 56.

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HOLLAND, Rev. Edward A., D. D.—A leading English clergyman—London Aug. 20.

KIMBER, Emmons—Nearly a half century ago a leading hatter in Philadelphia. Retired from business several years ago—that city, Aug. 19, aged 78.

LE FEVRE, Dr. Joseph.—Philadelphia, Oct. 20, aged 82.

NOYES, Hon. David P.—Of Vermont—Burlington, Oct. 24, aged 68.

OTTERSON, Sarah Leader—Widow of the Rev. James Otterson—Philadelphia, Oct. 23, aged 86.

OTT, Peter Harvey—Formerly assistant president of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co., and son of Robert M. Olyphant of the extensive China tea-house of Olyphant & Co. of this city. He was the nephew of George Talbot Olyphant, who, on May 6, 1838, had started *The New York Herald*, and needed an assistant, he was employed as a reporter on that paper, his duties multifarious, but shipping-news his specialty. As a news-gatherer he soon became noted in metropolitan journalism, and ultimately he was advanced to the position of manager of *The Herald*. In this capacity he remained until 1862, when, on the cooperation of the late Henry J. Raymond of *The Times*, what is now a great power as the New York Associated Press—at the inception simply a combination between *The Herald*, *Courier and Enquirer* and *Journal of Commerce*, for the purpose of procuring shipping-news. In 1866 he retired from the management of *The Herald*, and later, after the death of Henry J. Raymond, he was offered the editorship of *The Times*, a position he declined. His retirement from *The Herald* had been dictated by feeble health, and we believe that he remained in comparative retirement from the paper. About 1871, while he was living in retirement in Concord, Mass., Harper & Brothers published his well-known book—"History of American Journalism." A son, Woodward Hudson, and one surviving, was the only issue of a marriage contracted in 1844 with Miss Eliza Woodward of Quincy, Mass., and sister of the late Dr. Woodward, who founded the Woodward Institute, now being built in that town. Mrs. Hudson is still living, but has been an invalid for years. While riding in a carriage, struck by a railroad locomotive Oct. 20, and died Oct. 21—Concord, Mass., aged 56.

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BILLIARDS.

SCRATCHES.

William Sexton will please call at this office and get his $100 back. Garnier does not want it, and it is announced that he will play no more matches—at least, until it is definitely known whether or not Vignaux will return to this country..... Edward G. Kendall, who is now exchampion of the fourteen-inch balk-line game, and still it is held the cue during the time required by the law, has been ill of fever in Boston, but is now on his feet again..... Mr. D. Pulsifer of that city will back Kendall against any player to play William Sexton for $100 a side, conditional that the latter gives 175 in 600, three-ball game, and not 100 in 500..... Apropos of Hickey, his time as three-ball champion of Massachusetts will expire on Dec. 5 next; and apropos of Sexton, Rodolphe again sought him on Oct. 21, at the Columbian Rooms, winning the first game, which was for $50, and losing the second and last, which was for $50..... Mr. John Murphy, proprietor of the Hub, Boston, was in this city last week, consigned to the tender mercies of Gus Groce, a sentleman twice as large as Murphy's weight. The latter called on THE CLIPPER on the 21st, and was even then quite feeble, although Gus had not got half through with him, and Charles O'Connor had yet to have the turn..... A Boston correspondent informs us that Mons. Izar, while in Boston last week, expressed his astonishment at the extent and splendors of Mr. Murphy's establishment, as well as of the patronage bestowed upon it by the citizens of that city; that Izar gave three exhibitions at the Melodeon, being assisted by John Hickey and Edward Daniels, Kendall being billed, but illness preventing his appearance; that in the gymnasium attached to Murphy's room was formally opened on the night of Oct. 19, it being fitted up with bath-rooms, dressing-rooms, etc., and in charge of a veteran of the same name, who is known as "Branch," with about one year yet to run, is for sale; that William Goldthwait has been taking a brief Summer vacation preparatory to an active Fall campaign; that Jules Dion lost E. G. Kendall $58 for exercising the free-born American's privilege (except in Boston) of knocking down an individual who had insulted a lady with whom Kendall was walking. Kendall, as runs the story, was arrested, and, thinking that he would be merely fined, he pleaded guilty, whereupon the Judge, to the amazement of Kendall and to the amusement of the latter's friends, gave him three months' Kendall "appealed," and, through paying $58, is now in a position to live three months longer..... Ex-Senator Blair, Harrison Harwood and John Bonner, of this city, Oct. 18, when the balls were set in motion by Sexton and Madigan, and also by "Old" John Galvin, who is reputed to have been a gambler of the first degree..... Losses by fire: Gilchrist & Kent's and seven other stores, Orangeville, Ont.—loss $30,000; the steamer Jacques Cartier, owned by Angar, Smith & Co., at Quebec, Que., on the 16th, Alonzo Fatchen's tannery, Bolceville, N. Y.—loss about $18,000, partially insured.

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BASEBALL.

GAMES TO BE PLAYED.

PROFESSIONAL.

Oct. 30, Athletic vs. St. Louis, at Philadelphia.
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PHILADELPHIA vs. ST. LOUIS.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CLIPPER.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 25.—The 15th, 16th and last of the series between the Philadelphia and St. Louis Clubs was played off this afternoon. The weather was bright and warm. Weaver, an amateur, pitched for the Philadelphias, and Schafer played left field, taking the places of Zettlein and Treacy. Miller played with the St. Louis the first four innings, Galvin then taking his place, while Cuthbert caught. The Philadelphias outbatted their opponents, and easily won. Schafer made a magnificent running catch, on which he made a double-play.

St. Louis.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Cuthbert, c.	3	0	1	2	0
Pike, c. f.	3	0	1	1	0
Battin, 2d b.	3	0	0	1	1
Pearce, s. s.	3	0	0	1	0
Bradley, p.	3	2	2	0	1
Hague, 3d b.	3	0	1	2	0
Miller, c.	3	0	0	1	0
Dehlman, l. b.	3	0	1	7	0
Waite, l. f.	3	0	0	6	0
Totals	27	2	6	18	7

Philadelphia.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Murnan, l. b.	5	3	5	1	0
McGeary, s. s.	5	0	2	2	0
Addy, r. f.	5	2	2	0	1
Meyerle, 3d b.	5	2	1	3	0
Schafer, c. f.	4	3	0	1	1
Fulmer, 2d b.	4	2	3	1	1
Meyerle, c.	4	2	3	2	2
Weaver, p.	4	1	1	0	1
McMullin, l. f.	4	1	1	1	0
Totals	30	17	20	18	13

St. Louis	0	1	0	0	0	1	—	2
Philadelphia	1	2	6	1	0	7	—	17

Runs earned—Philadelphia, 6. First base on errors—St. Louis, 4; Philadelphia, 4; Umpire, E. B. Sutton of the Athletics. Time, 1h. 55m.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP RECORD.

The Athletic Club closed their championship contests with their city rivals, the Philadelphia nine, on Oct. 23, on which occasion they scored their fifty-third victory for 1875 out of seventy-three games played, not counting draws or forfeits. This places them ahead of the Red Stockings for the season, beyond a doubt, the latter having scored sixty-nine victories out of seventy-six games played, exclusive of draws and forfeits. The only contest to be decided now is that for third position, between the Hartford and St. Louis Clubs. By the record of total games won and lost and actually played, the Hartfords score fifty victories and twenty-seven defeats, against thirty-nine victories by the St. Louis Club and twenty-seven defeats. By the count of legal games, however, the Bostons lead by 41 to

THE TURF.

WEEKLY TROTTING RECORD.

Where the words "second money" accompany the name of a horse, the meaning is that that horse won second money without earning a record, and that his competitor won in three straight heats. Horses that win less than second money are not mentioned unless they have also earned a record in that particular race.

Horse.	Place and date.	Time.
Nodine	...Norwich, Ct..	2:47½, 2:44, 2:46½
Harry	....Oct. 13	Second money
Palmer Boy	..Norwich, Ct..	2:4-½, 2:43¾, 2:43
Lady Bonnet	....Oct. 13	Second money
Nodine	...Norwich, Ct.	2:41, 2:46, 3:42
Lady Bonner	....Oct. 14-15	2:47
White Bird	....Norwich, Ct.	2:36, 2:48, 2:56
Palmer Boy	....Oct. 14 15	2:33 2:36
Zigzag	..Parker City, Pa.	2:54, 2:56, 2:53
Captain Clay	....Oct. 12	Second money
Mexican Tom	..Parker City, Pa.	2:40, 2:41, 2:42
Sleepy Tom	....Oct. 12	2:39
Gray Billy		2:41
Gray Billy	..Parker City, Pa.	2:41, 2:39, 2:41
Lady McKinney	....Oct. 13	Second money
Zigzag	..Parker City, Pa.	2:50, 2:51, 2:50
Duster	....Oct. 13	Second money
Ed. Brown	..Parker City, Pa.	2:41, 2:40, 2:40
Lady McKinney	....Oct. 14	2:40
Phil Sheridan		2:42
Cattaraugus Chief	..Parker City, Pa.	2:35, 2:34, 2:33
Sleepy Tom	....Oct. 14	Second money
Blackwood Jr	..Goshen, N. Y..	2:35, 2:36½, 2:40
Mambrino	....Oct. 20	Second money
Prospect Park	..Prospect Park.	2:2-¾
Honest Dutchman	..L. I., Oct. 20..	dist.—$10,000 match
Flexible	..Lawrence, Mass.	2:39½, 2:37, 2:40
Charles R	....Oct. 19	2:40½, 2:38
Eva	..Lawrence, Mass.	2:39, 2:39, 2:38½
Lady White	....Oct. 19	Second money.
Charles R	..Lawrence, Mass.	2:36, 2:33, 2:37
Flexible	....Oct. 21	2:37
Stephen W	..Lawrence, Mass.	2:40, 2:38, 2:44
Kate Sloan	....Oct. 21, 22	2:44, 2:43½
Lady Sherburne		2:42
Flexible	..Lawrence, Mass.	2:41, 2:40, 2:44
Ed. Chapin	....Oct. 22	Second money
Joe S		2:40½
Leon	..Danville, N. Y..	2:35, 2:35, 2:37
Jerry	....Oct. 13	2:40
Ellsworth	..Danville, N. Y..	2:36, 2:36, 2:37½
Henry	....Oct. 13	2:37, 2:36
Fanny		2:38
Arzanaw	..Danville, N. Y..	2:46, 2:49¼, 2:47¼
Lady Ballard	....Oct. 14	2:54
Lady Dexter	..Danville, N. Y..	2:42, 2:45, 2:41
Jerry	....Oct. 14	2:40
Joe S	..Danville, N. Y..	2:45, 2:43¼, 2:45
Doll Y	....Oct. 15	Second money
Ella D	..Washington, D. C., Oct. 19..	2:37¾, 2:42, 2:40¾
Katy Richards	....Second money
Joe Brown	..Washington, D. C. Oct. 19 ..	2:32, 2:32½, 2:31¾
Tanner Boy		2:32½
Hattie G	..Wilkesbarre, Pa..	2:43, 2:40, 2:45
N. Brunswick Boy	....Oct. 12	2:41
Lapland	..Wilkesbarre, Pa.	2:35, 2:35, 2:33
Clifton Boy	....Oct. 13	2:36, 2:35
Charley		2:37
Billy	..Wilkesbarre, Pa.	2:50, 2:49, 2:48
Johnny	....Oct. 14	Second money
Young Wilkes	..Wilkesbarre, Pa.	2:39 2:38, 2:36
Jersey Boy	....Oct. 14	Second money
Hattie G	..Wilkesbarre, Pa.	2:42½, 2:41¾, 2:43½
N. Brunswick Boy	....Oct. 15	2:43
Keeler	..Wilkesbarre, Pa.	2:29 2:31½, 2:39¾
Lapland	....Oct. 15	2:33
Medford King	..Sullivan, Ill..	2:46¾, 2:53, 2:48¾
Charley	....Oct. 19	Second money.
Kittie Conover	..Leavenworth, Ks	2:56, 2:56½, 2:56½
Ben Lyon	....Oct. 2	Second money.
Archer Boy	..Leavenworth, Ks	2:45, 2:45, 2:45
Ned	....Oct. 14	Second money.
Bender	..Leavenworth, Ks	2:45¾, 2:48, 0:00
Ned	....Oct. 15	2:46
White Stocking	..Leavenworth, Ks	2:30, 2:31¾, 2:33½
Huckleberry	....Oct. 15	2:32
Billy Boulden	..Woodbury, N. J.	2:52½, 2:51¾, 2:52½
Philip Dougherty	....Oct. 19	Second money.
Bell	..Providence, R. I.	2:49, 2:42¾, 2:47¾
Benj. G	....Oct. 19	2:46
Rose Thorndyke		2:46¼
Lizzie Keeler	..Providence, R. I.	2:32½, 2:35, 2:35¼
Colonel	....Oct. 19	Second money.
Colonel	..Providence, R. I.	2:32, 2:41, 2:35
Lizzie Keeler	....Oct. 21	Second money
Palmer Boy	..Providence, R. I.	2:40, 2:38¾, 2:38¼
Rosa B	....Oct. 22	2:40½
W. B. Allen and Colonel	..Providence, R. I.	2:47, 2:47¾, 2:56
Lady Baltic and Molly Russell	....Oct. 22	Second money
Dan Brown	..Galesburg, Ill..	2:33, 2:37½, 2:33½
Col. Baker	....Oct. 12	Second money
G. F. Pilot	..Galesburg, Ill..	2:36¾, 2:36¾, 2:35¾
Rosewood	....Oct. 12	Second money
Sooner	..Galesburg, Ill..	2:41¾, 2:44, 2:40
Yankee Boy	....Oct. 12	Second money
Frank Reeves	..Galesburg, Ill..	2:30, 2:31¼, 2:32½
Kitty Braxton	....Oct. 13	Second money
Col. E. D. Baker	..Galesburg, Ill..	2:41¾, 2:41¾, 2:40¾
G. F. Pilot	....Oct. 13	2:41½
Lady Hamilton	..Galesburg, Ill..	2:40, 2:39, 2:40
Prince	....Oct. 14	Second money
Jonathan	..Attleboro, Mass.	3:01, 3:03, 3:02¾
Kitty Brown	....Oct. 12	2:56¾, 3:04
Lucy		3:06
Minnie	..Attleboro, Mass.	2:52, 2:50¾, 2:54
Belle Oakley	....Oct. 12	Second money
Belle	..Attleboro, Mass.	2:51¾, 2:48, 2:51
Prince H	....Oct. 13	2:52, 2:46
Belle Oakley	..Attleboro, Mass.	2:51¾, 2:48, 2:51
Prince H	....Oct. 14	2:52, 2:46
Belle Oakley	..Attleboro, Mass.	2:48, 2:50, 2:53
Prince H	....Oct. 14	Second money
Nona Sherman	..Goreham, Me.	2:52, 2:53¼, 2:53½
Tom B. Patchen	....Oct. 14	Second money
Blackbird	..Gorham, Me.	2:47, 2:49, 2:46
Charley Miller	....Oct. 13	2:48
Flora Sheppard	..Petaluma, Cal.	2:38, 2:39, 2:43
Countess	....Oct. 6	2:42, 2:41
Loafer	..Terre Haute, Ind.	2:32, 2:33, 2:34
Frank Meyers	....Oct. 12	Second money
Lady Byron	..Terre Haute, Ind.	2:32, 2:32½, 2:31¾
Moss Rose	....Oct. 12	2:31
General Mack	..Terre Haute, Ind.	2:32, 2:40, 2:40
Tom Britton	....Oct. 13	2:35, 2:31¾
Fearnaught Jr		2:41¼
Marion	..Terre Haute, Ind.	2:33, 2:33, 2:33½
Capt. Jack	....Oct. 13	2:34¾, 2:32¾
Little Gipsy	..Terre Haute, Ind.	2:31¾, 2:33, 2:32
Frank Meyers	....Oct. 14	Second money
John H	..Terre Haute, Ind.	2:33, 2:32, 2:34
James L	....Oct. 14.	Second money.
Lady L		
Bay John	..Terre Haute, Ind.	No time.
Fanny Dashaway	....Oct. 14	
Rattler	..Des Moines, Ia.	2:41, 2:40, 2:41¾
Little Crow	....Oct. 15.	Second money
May Howard	..Reno, Nevada.	2:31, 2:32¾, 2:32½
George Treat	....Oct. 9	Second money
American Boy	..Reno, Nevada.	2:42, 2:40¾
Cook	....Oct. 9	Ha.
Farmer Boy	..Rockland, Me.	2:51, 2:44¾, 2:45¼
Brace	....Oct. 13	2:42
Bessie	..Rockland, Me.	2:45, 2:42, 2:45
Brace	....Oct. 13	Second
Jim Lane	..Barre, Vt.	2:35, 2:30, 2:34
Mountain Rose	....Oct. 13	Second money
Seth Warner	..Barre, Vt.	2:48, 2:43, 2:50
Frank Templeton	....Oct. 13.	Second money
Tommy	..Barre, Vt.	2:50¾, 2:57, 2:57
Dr. Ben	....Oct. 14.	Second money
Island Chief	..Barre, Vt.	2:41¾, 2:41, 2:44½
Bob Fulton	....Oct. 14	2:42
Borrel Frank	..San Jose Cal.	2:38, 2:35, 2:35
Gus	....Oct. 7-8.	Second money
Lou Whipple		2:33¾, 2:38, dr.
Longfellow	..San Jose, Oct. 8	2:22, 2:22¾, 2:21¾
Jim Brown	....Pacing	2:21¾
Lady Emma	..San Jose	2:44, 2:44
Billy Ross	....Oct. 8-9.	2:44¾, 2:47, dist.
Dan Voorhies	..San Jose	2:38, 2:36, 2:38¾
Sam Bruno	....Oct. 9	2:38¾
Henry Stone		2:36, 2:38, 2:36
Lady West	..Boston, Mass..	2:38 2:38
Jennie Thompson	....Oct. 20, 21	2:38¾
Doctor	..Boston, Mass..	2:37, 2:38, 2:38¼
Belle of Lexington	....Oct. 20	2:37
Hazo	..Boston, Mass..	2:43¾, 2:48¾, 2:40
Bay John	....Oct. 21	2:40½
Thorndyke	..Boston, Mass..	2:41, 2:43¾, 2:40¾
Lady Alice	....Oct. 20	Second money
Baby Boy	..Boston, Mass..	2:37, 2:40, 2:39¾
John S. Heald	....Oct. 20	Second money
Doctor	..Boston, Mass..	2:37, 2:37, 2:39
Jennie Thompson	....Oct. 18	2:40
Honest Farmer	..Boston, Mass..	2:41, 2:39, 2:39
Johnni	....Oct. 23.	Second money
King William	..St. John, N. B.	2:39, 2:39½, 2:42
Andy Johnson	....Oct. 20.	2:40½, 2:40
Judge Robertson	..Jersey City, N. J.	2:40, 2:45, 2:40
Silvertail	....Oct. 23	2:41, 2:40
Pauline	..Jersey City, N. J.	2:41, 2:42, dr.
Glynn	....Oct. 23.	2:39, 2:56
Harry of the West	....Oct 23.	Heats
Rachel		2:45¼, 2:48, 2:45¾
Leviine	..Deerfoot, L. I.	2:44, 2:44½
Snowflake	....Oct. 21-2	2:45
Sensation	..Fleetwood, N. Y	2:22¾—dead: 2:42
Thos. L. Young	....Oct. 22	2:19¾, 2:23¾, dr.

M ARYLAND JOCKEY CLUB FALL MEETING.

FIRST DAY—TUESDAY, OCT. 19.

The Fall race meeting of the Maryland Jockey Club commenced on Tuesday, Oct. 19, on the Pimlico Course, Baltimore. The weather was cheerless and extremely cold, with a track slow and heavy. There was a good programme of racing provided, there being four races on the card, including the Dixie Stakes, the richest and most important three-year-old event of the season.

THE THREE-QUARTER-MILE DASH—

for a purse of $300, the second horse receiving the entrance money, $15 each, for maidens of all ages—had twelve entries, of which the following ten came to the post: Chamberlin's Lizzie R., Mart Jordan & Co.'s O'Neil, P Lorillard's Springlet, Donahue's Gray Leg, McDaniel's Evelyn Carter, Davis & Co.'s Jest, Brower's Austral and Paladin, Quickfull's Violet, and Patterson's Alecto. Springlet had the call in the pool-betting, bringing $150; O'Neil, $140; Lizzie R., $130; and the field $145. Alecto took the start, O'Neil second, Evelyn Carter third, Lizzie fourth, and the rest in a bunch, except Jest, who got off badly. On the lower turn Evelyn Carter passed Alecto, and Lizzie R. took second place, all the rest being in a close group. Coming up the homestretch, Lizzie R. drew clear of Springlet and O'Neil, and galloped home a clever winner by a length in 1:20; Springlet beating O'Neil by a head only, Gray Leg fourth, and Evelyn Carter fifth, Paladin finishing last.

THE DIXIE STAKES

next came on for decision, and the excitement was great as the contesting horses came upon the course to be saddled. The race is for three-year-old colts and fillies; two miles. $100 subscription half forfeit; the Jockey Club to add $1,500, of which $1,000 went to the winning horse, $500 to the second, and the third horse to save his stake. There were 273 nominations, of which two were disqualified by death of nominators, and ten started, making the value of the stake $5,650. The runners were McGrath's Aristides and Chesapeake, Clabaugh's Vistor, McDaniel's Joe Cerns, Longstaff's Rhadamanthus, Harney's Gen. Harney and Ozark, Sanford's Bay Final, and Grinstead's D'Artagnan. This was a very fine field, for every horse in the list had been a winner. Pool-selling was very heavy, McGrath's entry, Bay Final, and Rhadamanthus, carried the bulk of the money, the former selling for $950; Bay Final, $410; Rhadamanthus, $400; D'Artagnan, $300; Tom Ochiltree, $100; and the others in the field for $175. The horses had an excellent start. Ozark getting off first, Joe Cerns and Rhadamanthus second and third, Vistor, Chesapeake and Aristides the three next horses, Bay Final and Tom Ochiltree the last to get away. The horses ran in a cluster around the clubhouse turn and to the quarter-pole, where Ozark still retained his leading position, a neck before Chesapeake, Aristides third, Rhadamanthus and General Harney fourth and fifth, Vistor next; the three last horses at this point being Bay Final, Tom Ochiltree, and D'Artagnan. At the half-mile pole, Chesapeake had his head in front of Ozark, with his stable-companion third, and looking dangerous, for he was pulling double; Vistor next, Bay Final, who had improved his position on the backstretch, being fifth, Rhadamanthus and Joe Cerns next, Tom Ochiltree, General Harney and D'Artagnan the whippers-in. They ran in these positions along the lower turn and up the homestretch; but, as they passed the judges' stand, Swim, finding that Chesapeake could not set the pace fast enough, took Aristides to the front and was a length before Ozark as they passed under the string. Chesapeake third, Vistor fourth, Bay Final fifth, Tom Ochiltree sixth, followed in order by Rhadamanthus, Joe Cerns, and the Harney pair. On the club-house turn Aristides increased his lead, with Vistor close up, Joe Cerns third, and Ozark falling back beaten, while Tom Ochiltree, whom Evans had ridden tenderly, without busting or hurrying him, was fifth. At the half-mile pole Vistor had got on even terms with Aristides, on whom Swim was already at work to get him to maintain his place in front; Joe Cerns, Ozark and Chesapeake following. Tom Ochiltree leading the rear division. The two leaders rounded the turn into the homestretch head-and-head together, a full length before Tom Ochiltree, whom Evans slightly gave his head after passing the half-mile pole, and he cut down his horses in rapid succession. When fairly into the straight-run-home, Evans let out Ochiltree, in a few strides he was at Aristides' head, had him safe after a brief struggle, and won the race handsomely by a length and a half; Vistor finishing a head before Joe Cerns, Aristides fourth, Rhadamanthus fifth, Ozark sixth, Bay Final seventh, and D'Artagnan last of all. Time 3:42½, which, considering the heavy track and the weight carried, was very good.

WINNERS OF THE DIXIE STAKES.

Year.	Winner.	Sire.	Weight.	Starters.	Time.
1870.	Preakness	Lexington	110	7	3:47½
1871.	Harry Hassett	Lexington	110	w. o.	
1872.	Hubbard	Planet	110	9	3:36¾
1873.	T m Bowling	Lexington	110	4	3:58
1874.	Vandalite	Vandal	107	4	3:35¾
1875.	Tom Ochiltree	Lexington	110	10	3:42¾

THE CENTRAL STAKES—

for two-year-olds, one mile, $50 subscription, play or pay, with $600 added, of which $100 to the second horse—closed with twenty-six nominations, of which only four came to the post. These were P. Lorillard's Parole and Cyril, Messrs. Davis' Eugene filly, and Patterson's Vauxhall colt. The Lorillard entry sold for $310, the Vauxhall colt $90, and the Enquirer filly $13. Cyril took the lead at the start, followed by Parole, the Enquirer filly third and the Vauxhall colt last. These positions were retained throughout, Cyril winning by two lengths in 1:49¼. It was evident that Parole could have won with ease, had it suited the policy of the stable to do so.

THE TWO-MILE HEATS,

for a purse of $600 to the first horse, and $100 to the second, had five runners, but only Big Sandy, Piccolo, Hoaxer and Kadi started. Big Sandy sold for $650; Piccolo, $600; Kadi, $320; and the Hoaxer, $110.

First Heat.—Piccolo made the running throughout the first mile, with Big Sandy second, Hoaxer third, and Kadi trailing in the rear. On the next quarter Big Sandy deprived Piccolo of the lead, and appeared to have the race in hand as they turned into the homestretch. Barbee, however, bringing up Kadi, caught the favorite, and beat him in the last stride by a head in 3:50½.

Second Heat.—Piccolo now sold for $150, Big Sandy and Kadi $100 each, and the Hoaxer $50. Just before the race the Hoaxer became the first favorite, under the impression that he had not run for the last heat. Piccolo cut out the running for a mile and a half, when he fell back beaten; the race being left to Big Sandy and Kadi, a splendid finish between the pair resulting in Kadi winning by a length in 3:46½.

SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY, OCT. 20.

The weather had changed during the night, and the morning ushered in a warm bright day. The attendance was consequently greatly increased. The track was also much improved. The backers of favorites had another bad day, for outsiders carried off three out of the four events.

FOR THE MILE-DASH—

for a purse of $400, for horses of all ages that had not won at Jerome Park or Saratoga since July 24, 1875, the second horse to receive $50 out of the purse—there were eight entries, all of which started, viz., Hitchcock's Springlet, Barton & Medinger's First Chance, Jordan & Co.'s O'Neil, Messrs. Davis' Baywood filly, Atchison's Weatherby, Donahue's Vassal, Quickfall's Violet, and Bowie's Oreknot. Weatherby was run up to a ridiculously high price, he selling in one pool for $1,150 against only $410 for the remaining seven horses, three of whom were known to be very fast. A repeated breakaway at the start was effected, O'Neil taking the lead, followed by First Chance and Springlet. At the club-house turn Barbee rushed First Chance to the front, and at the quarter-pole he led Springlet a length. On the backstretch Weatherby cheered his backers by running past his horses into second place, and he turned very wide into the homestretch, and Springlet, the Bay wood filly, and O'Neil again headed him. When fairly into the straight stretch Barbee commenced riding First Chance very resolutely, and, quitting his opponents, galloped home a very easy winner by two lengths in 1:46½; Springlet second, and O'Neil third. The favorite finished fifth.

THE MILE-HEAT RACE—

for three-year-olds that had not won a sweepstakes race this year at Jerome Park, Long Branch, Saratoga, or Baltimore, for a purse of $500, of which $100 to second horse—had five runners: Longstaff's Rhadamanthus, McCormick's Arcturus, Jordan & Co.'s Jack Trigg, Donahue's Gray Leg and Burton and Medinger's Charley Cheatham. In the pools Rhadamanthus brought $670 to Arcturus $280, and the field $105.

First Heat.—Arcturus got away first, but was quickly passed by Jack Trigg, who led to the half-mile pole, where he began to come back to his horses; the favorite taking second and Arcturus third place. Turning into the straight stretch, Evans let go his pull on Rhadamanthus, and he shot to the front, and won the heat under a strong pull in 1:47½; Jack Trigg beating Arcturus for second place; Cheatham distanced.

Second Heat.—Only one pool was sold, with Rhadamanthus included in it, in which the favorite brought $500 and the field $125. Just before the start a rush on Arcturus was made, in which he brought $225 to Rhadamanthus' $675, and the field $30. Jack Trigg and Gray Leg ran head-to-head through the first quarter, the other two lapped a couple of lengths behind them. On the backstretch the quartet ran abreast to the half mile, where Arcturus took the lead, and ran so fast that he was a full length before Rhadamanthus as they turned into the homestretch. At this point Evans called up the favorite, and his powerful, sweeping stride soon carried him alongside of Arcturus; a short struggle, and the latter was in difficulties, and Rhadamanthus came away and won in a canter by three lengths in 1:47¾; Arcturus second, Jack Trigg a bad third, and Gray Leg distanced.

THE HANDICAP SWEEPSTAKES—

of $25 each, for all ages, with $500 added, of which $100 to the second horse, one mile and three-quarters—had four runners: Shylock, 115lb; Merodac, 107lb; Mattie A., 87lb; and Rambler, 84lb. Mattie A. sold for $825; Shylock, $520; Merodac and Rambler, coupled, $145. Merodac, lapped with Rambler, led until opposite the pool-stands, with the others running abreast a couple of lengths behind. Rambler was four lengths ahead of Merodac as they passed under the string, Shylock three lengths behind the latter and two in front of Mattie A. The latter and Shylock passed Rambler on the backstretch, and there a desperate struggle between the pair commenced. On the lower turn Mattie A. was in difficulties, and, quitting her, Shylock won in a canter by four lengths in 3:12, Mattie A. a dozen lengths before Merodac, and Rambler, who was cut down in the race, last of all.

In the steeplechase, for a purse of $525, of which $400 went to the winner, $75 to the second horse, and $50 to the third, one mile and a half, the starters were Minnie Mac, 151lb; Osage, 145lb; Busy Bee, 145lb; George West, 155lb; Astral, 154lb; Storm, 151lb; Vim, 153lb; and Boz, 148lb. Osage was backed against the field, but after a fine race and a most exciting finish, Minnie Mac won by half a length in 3:20½, the veteran jumper George West being third.

THIRD DAY—THURSDAY, OCT. 21.

The beautiful weather attracted a much larger attendance of race-goers to Pimlico Park than on either of the preceding days, and the track was in good order for running.

THE TWO-YEAR-OLD RACE,

for a purse of $400, had only two starters: Col. McDaniel's Virginius and Barton & Co.'s Libbie L. The running of Virginius at Jerome Park frightened away all opponents except one, and great disappointment was felt that Mr. P. Lorillard did not start Parole against him, and so decide the question which of the two is the better colt of his year. In what little betting there was the odds of $100 to $15 on Virginius were freely forthcoming. The youngsters got off well together, Virginius leading a couple of lengths to the quarter-pole, where the filly closed the gap, and got to Virginius' saddle girths. The moment Clark gave the black colt his head he shook her off, and cantered home an easy winner by two lengths in 1:47.

THE SELLING RACE,

for all ages, one mile and a half, for a purse of $400 to the first horse and $100 to the second, had ten runners. Horses entered were to be sold at auction immediately after the race; if entered to be sold for $1,500, to carry full weight; if for $1,000, allowed 5lb; for $750, allowed 10lb; for $500, allowed 14lb; if not to be sold at all, to carry 7lb extra. The starters were Mart Jordan & Co.'s Sally Ward, Davis' b. f. by Baywood, McDaniel's Madge and Josie B., Taylor & McCormick's Arcturus, Hitchcock's Century, Bowie's Holbrook, Coffee's Donneybrook, Mount's Moses Primrose, and Jennifer's Daisy. McDaniel's pair were the favorites, selling for $650; Arcturus, $140; Century, $130; Donnybrook, $125; and the field, $110. Arcturus got off first, and made the running to the stand, passing under the string a neck before Century; Bill Monday third, Madge and Josie B. next, almost side by side, Donnybrook sixth, and the rest in a bunch. Madge improved her position on the first quarter, and going down the backstretch she rushed to the front, closely attended by her stable-companion Josie B., with Donnybrook third and Arcturus fourth. A fine and very exciting race up the homestretch resulted in Madge winning by two lengths, Donnybrook second and Josie B. third. Time, 2:43½.

THE ROWIE STAKES,

four-mile heats, is always a very popular race with the Baltimorians. It is a sweepstakes for all ages, $100 entrance, half forfeit, only $25 if declared, with $2 200 added by the Club, of which $2,000 to first horse, $200 to second, who also received $300 out of the stakes. Only the following three horses came to the post: McGrath's Aaron Pennington, 108lb; Corbett's Nettie Norton, 106lb; and Lawrence's Shylock, 106lb. Pennington had beaten Nettie Norton in the four-mile dash at Jerome Park the previous week, and his party believed that he could do it again; so he brought $1,000 in the pools to Shylock's $310, and Nettie Norton's $230. Nettie Norton went off with the lead, and before the other horses had got fairly a-going, she was six lengths in front, which she made into ten lengths at the quarter pole, Shylock about the same distance ahead of Pennington. The backers of the favorite began to tremble when they saw him lying so far behind, even at this early stage of the race, and their uneasiness increased as they saw Nettie Norton steadily increasing her lead the farther she ran. At the end of the first mile, run in 1:55½, she was fifty yards ahead of Shylock, who was ten lengths before Aaron Pennington. Evans was riding Nettie Norton, and he kept her striding along steadily, so that at the quarter-pole she was fifty yards in front of Shylock, on whom Pennington was steadily creeping up. Nettie retained this lead to the stand, the second mile having been run in 1:47¾, and the two miles in 3:43. Shylock and Pennington were now running head-and-head, and the backers of the favorite anxiously looked to see him cut loose and capture the flying filly in the lead. Instead, at the quarter Nettie's lead was increased. The excitement among the spectators, men and women alike, grew intense, Shylock and Pennington both laboring along side by side, but not gaining an inch; and, while both the cracks were laboring like ships in distress, Nettie Norton was galloping easily and steadily along under a judicious pull, and she entered on the third mile eighty yards ahead of the others, the third mile being run in 1:53, and the three miles in 5:33. Offers of $100 to $75 were now abundant that she would distance both her opponents, and, as she steadily strode along, it was almost certain that she would do so. As she entered the homestretch on the last mile, Evans looked round to see how far the other horses were behind, and, rousing the filly to a little higher speed, she galloped home the winner of the race and first and second money in 7:37½. Shylock and Pennington thirty yards outside the distance-flags, with the former in front. Value of stakes, $2 800.

FOURTH DAY—FRIDAY, OCT. 22.

On this, the last day of the meeting, the attendance was very large, the weather continuing fine, and the track in splendid condition.

The Handicap Purse of $400, one mile and a quarter, for all horses that had run during the meeting, had twelve entries, all of which started. These were McDaniel's Madge, 105lb; Mattie A., 93lb, and Evelyn Carter, 83lb; Harney's Ozark, 94lb; Mount's Moses Primrose, 90½; Jordan's Jack Trigg, 87lb; Atchison's Weatherby, 90lb; Chatfield's Century, 89lb; Quickfall's Violet, 80lb; and Barton's Charley Cheatham, 80lb; in the pool-betting, McDaniel's entry sold for $220; Lizzie R., 165; Ozark, $140; Weatherby, $105; and the field, $90. Madge went to the front when the flag fell, and led throughout, Ozark taking second place after going three-quarters of a mile, and Moses Primrose third, in which order they finished, Madge winning by three-quarters of a length from Ozark. Time, 2:12¾.

THE BRECKENRIDGE STAKES,

next in importance to the Dixie Stakes, was the second race. It is a race for three-year-olds, $300 entrance, $100 forfeit, with $1.000 added, second horse to receive $500, and the third to save his stake. There were thirty nominations and five runners, making its value $5,600. The starters were McGrath's Aristides, Chamberlin's Tom Ochiltree, Clabaugh's Vistor, McDaniel's Joe Cerns, and Sanford's Bay Final. There was a dispute as to whether or not Tom Ochiltree, as winner of the Dixie Stakes, was not entitled to carry a 5lb penalty for so doing, and, strange to say, the clerk of the course and secretary of the Jockey Club could not decide. A delay took place until the records could be brought from Baltimore, seven miles distant, when it was found that he was entitled to carry 5lb penalty, and this in the face of the official programme, which had not published this condition. Tom Ochiltree's weight was thus brought from 110lb to 115lb. All pools sold in the city the night before, in which his weight was announced at 110lb, were declared off, creating a good deal of disgust. A new deal was necessary, and the pool-buying business was very brisk for some time at the following rates: Tom Ochiltree, $500; Bay Final, $350; Vistor, $350; Joe Cerns, $310; and Aristides, $250. Directly the flag fell, Barbee took Vistor to the front, and made the running at a strong pace, with the object of finding the weak points of his opponents. Joe Cerns followed next, four lengths behind at the quarter-pole, he in turn in front of the favorite, who had Aristides at his quarters, Bay Final being the absolute last, and showing no speed whatever. On the backstretch Joe Cerns gained a little on Vistor, while five lengths behind came Tom Ochiltree and Aristides, the latter lying alongside Tom, as if he knew he was the opponent most to be dreaded. Vistor retained his lead throughout the first mile, being two lengths ahead of Joe Cerns as he went under the string, Ochiltree four lengths behind, and Bay Final toiling hopelessly in the rear. Amid loud cheers from the Baltimorians, Vistor (owned by a gentleman of that city) entered on the second mile, and retained his lead until after entering the backstretch, where Tom Ochiltree and Aristides passed Joe Cerns, the latter savagely making a grab at Aristides' jockey as he passed him. Vistor still showed the way past the half-mile pole and homeward bound, but coming into the homestretch the picture of a winner, so strong was he running, although he had led from the start. The extra weight on Tom Ochiltree began to tell its tale, and Evans had to use the whip, the colt responding gamely. Half-way up, Vistor, Aristides and Ochiltree were racing abreast, but at the foot of the grandstand Swim let out Aristides, and he shot to the front and won easily by three lengths in 3:36½; Vistor beating Tom Ochiltree by half a length for second money. Joe Cerns was fourth, and Bay Final last. The time was 6½ seconds faster than the Dixie Stakes was run in, but the track was much faster.

THE MILE-HEAT RACE,

for a purse of $500, winners 5lb extra, and beaten horses during the meeting allowed 3lb, had four runners: Rhadamanthus, 100lb; Arcturus, 90lb; Big Sandy, 92lb; and Gen. Harney, 120lb. The betting was Rhadamanthus, $500; Gen. Harney, $120; Arcturus, $100; and Big Sandy, $95. The first heat was closely contested between the favorite and Big Sandy, the former winning by half a length in 1:46¾, Big Sandy second, five lengths before Gen. Harney, and Arcturus last. The betting was now $100 to $20 on Rhadamanthus. Arcturus took a strong lead, which he held for three-quarters of a mile, when Evans on the favorite crept gradually up and won the heat and the race by a length in 1:44¾—the fastest mile time made during the meeting.

A POST-STAKE

a post stake of $50 each, h. t., with $750 added, had only three runners: Diavolo, Coronet and Deadhead. Diavolo was the favorite over the field, and he won a beautiful race by a length in 6:16, Coronet second.

A SIXTY-MILE RIDE.—A dispatch from Galveston, Texas, dated Oct. 23, says: "At the Waco, Texas, fair-to-day, R. A. Ford rode sixty miles in 2 hours and 49 minutes. After dismounting forty-two horses he made the last mile in 2 minutes 7 seconds. The record claimed to be the best recorded that at Newmarket, Eng., Nov. 5, 1831, George Osbaldiston, using eleven horses, rode the same distance in 2 hours and 33 minutes.

A THREE-MILE MATCH, for $1,000 a side, between T. T. Unckless' stallion Alexander and John Lorringer's sorrel mare Nancy, came off at the Bay District track, San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 21. The stallion won with ease in 7:51¾.

THE TELEGRAPH informs us that the four mile dash at the Bay District track, San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 23, between Grinstead and Wildidle, was won by the latter. Time, 7:25¾.

THE TRIGGER.

SHOOTING AT CREEDMOOR.

Three rifle competitions took place at Creedmoor, L. I., on the 23d inst. In lieu of the Hepburn long-range match, which was postponed, C. D. Huntington offered a silver cup, to be competed for at 800, 900 and 1,000 yards; two sighting and five scoring shots; any rifle and position within the rules. R. W. Rathbone won, with a total score of 71, out of a possible 75, as follows: 25, 23, 23—71; T. S. Dakin, 23, 24—70; H. S. Jewell, 24, 24, 22—70; W. H. Farwell, 25, 24, 21—70; D. Smyth, 24, 24, 19—67; J. T. R. Collins, 23, 23, 20—66; H. Fisher, 22, 21, 21—65. There were fourteen other contestants. In the competition Mr. Farwell, after making a perfect score of two sighting and five scoring shots, kept on and made thirteen additional bull's eyes in succession, thus making a clean score of twenty bull's eyes, including the two sighting shots, when he "let up," in order to give the rest of the old men a chance. The Boylan badge was then competed for by the team representing New York in the interstate match, fourteen competitors, distances 200 and 500 yards; weapon, Remington State military rifle; two sighting and seven scoring shots; position, standing at 200, any at 500 yards; highest possible score, 90. Scores: S. E. Briggs, 22d Reg., 31, 30—61; E. H. Sanford, 7th Reg., 34, 30—64; J. W. Gardner, 9th Reg., 25, 29—54; Adjt. Bingham, 23d Reg., 27, 27—54; Sergt. Jacobs, 22d Reg., Brooklyn, 32, 31—63; Private Davis, 8th Reg., 28, 32—60; Capt. Reddy, 12th Reg., 26, 21—47; Private Pyle, 79th Reg., 29, 18—47; Private Cowperthwaite, 23d Reg., 23, 21—44; Adjt. Mayfield, 22d Reg., 27, 17—44; Sergt. Gunman, 9th Reg., 25, 15—40. The twelfth man has the right to claim his score under the supervision of Col. Wingate. The final competition was the seventh and last for the Irish-American Rifle Club Challenge Cup; distances 200 and 500 yards, two sighting and seven scoring shots at each; any rifle and any position within the rules of the N. R. A. Leading scores: R. Sutton, 20, 31—51; E. Duffy, 23, 23—51; C. Browne, 29, 17—46; R. McFeely, 24 17—41 As Mr. Burton has won the trophy four times, it is now his personal property. In the matter of weather nothing was left to be desired, scarcely a breath of air stirring, while it was just warm enough to be pleasant out of doors, and the light was favorable.

SHOOTING AT CONLIN'S.—The first of *The Turf, Field and Farm* Cup competitions will occur at J. S. Conlin's gallery, 930 Broadway, on Thursday, Oct. 28, commencing at four o'clock P. M. Conditions: open to all comers, guns rifle, 22 calibre, ten shots; distance, 110 feet, off hand; new Winbledon 200 yards target reduced to exact proportion; entrance, $1 each competition; prizes, a valuable silver trophy to the highest score; second and third to the best scores of 35 and 25 respectively. Each prize to be won three times to become the property of winner. The regulations governing the contest and the prizes can be seen at the gallery.

A SIL

THE VILLAGE CHURCH.

Above all the selling and buying,
Above all the singing and sighing,
I silently wait;
Through sunrise and sunset returning,
I watch with unspeakable yearning
The hill's misty gate.

O'er the children of men outward going,
Like leaves of the Autumn-time blowing
Away and away,
Floating off from my shadow love-tended,
Returning, the weary day ended,
On gladness to stay.

I reach out my shadowy finger
Where the lad on the hill turns to linger
To bid me good-bye;
And when the red sunset is burning
I watch for his sombre returning,
And beckon him nigh.

I see the maid waiting her lover
Till her feet wear a path in the clover,
Impatient to peer;
And laugh as she weeps, lonely turning,
Whilst I, higher up, am discerning
Her lover so near.

I see the bride's bravery glimmer!
Till the valley mist darkens its shimmer,
Fair vanishing rose;
And then—but a little to-morrow—
And clad in the garments of sorrow,
She brings me her woes.

Above all the selling and buying,
Above all the singing and sighing,
My vigil I keep;
As they come, one by one, to the valley,
The spade and the mattock keep tally
Of those fast asleep.

THE MUSIC HALLS OF PARIS.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER.
BY HENRY L. WILLIAMS.

From the very first, open-air amusements, connected ever with carousing and junketing, have distinguished the people of France and still more southern nations. Under the Grand King, the authorities found it difficult to suppress the booths before which the spectators munched bread and fruit and passed the flowing can. Their successors had the like hard task, and at the period of Rambouillet wine-shops were incomplete unless a fiddle was making the red heels and clocked stockings caper. Spite of Napoleon's iron hand, the minor theatres existed, and cake and wine were held up to the Arlequins and Pierrots of the show as a prospective supplement to their measly earnings. The Directory had fallen by the time of "Cadet Roussel," and, while the cannon of the Allies was still booming over Paris, there was a rising hum of

"Listen to Kate, she is irate.
Do find her, pa, some mate to mate!"

The Restoration saw a curious state of affairs when a family would be so divided in politics that father and mother and son dared not speak of events of the day. The *emigres* could not well sing the German *lieds* or the English tunes learnt over the bitter bread of exile: the Napoleonists murmured their unsubdued hopes with bated breath, and those of the peace-at-any-price class were not yet the new monarch's friends: decency to do so quietly.

In 1838, at the same time that Musard's tales were a sensation, and Chicard, so vividly portrayed by Gavarri, invented the cancan to please the *debardeurs* and flout at the police, a thirsty fit seemed to set in. A brewery was opened, where English beer could be drunk, and the example was quickly followed. Seeing this, a speculator took a building on the Bonne Nouvelles Boulevard, erected for a theatre, and, calling it a cafe-spectacle, opened it for the novelty of a free-and-easy on an extensive scale, and was reaping a golden harvest, when the accident of the Vaudeville Theatre having been burnt down, and its manager seeking a suitable hall at any sons, many of the other means of killing heavy "waits."

The music-halls have fed the theatres with several notabilities. Theresa was the first, and she has been a worthy acquisition. What a distance between her "Sapeur" and the fine songs which Offenbach has lately written for her, and which she renders so poetically! Madame Judic founded a line of business, in which Mlle. Theo rapidly followed, her place at the Eldorado being now taken by one Mlle. Baumaine, on whom theatre-managers cast eyes of covetousness.

The war no sooner broke out, with its compulsory permission for "La Marseillaise," than some tragic singers appeared. One remarkable sight was the colossal Suzanne Lagier, waving the tricolor with her massive arms, and looking fit to stand a charge of cavalry as she thundered:

"Aye, there was an army immense,
Though they marched with no shoes and in rags;
But glad was our motherland, France,
To rally them under her flags.
They breasted the shot and the shell,
And they came in their rifles from enemies few;
You may jeer them as beggars—*canaille*—
I'm proud to be one of the crew."

Madame Bordas, built unstintingly on the same imposing model, still fills that field (*Elle a du quoi* the material is there !), and her repertory is stunningly given: "Frenchmen, sing forth!" "The Rally after the Battle," "The Vintage of the Republic," etc. The Annie Adams of Paris is Madame Faure, full six feet—which is Goliathy for a Gaul, of course—and generously proportioned. Her voice is more melodious than ever was Theresa's, and she is not devoid of humor; but usually she is majestic, especially as the stage is small. Quite a picture, she, in evening dress, with the train half covering the boards, while her magnificent arms (they all handle their arms well, these Parisian women) flourish in some eloquent popular gesture which makes the intitled roar, to the amazement of the foreigner. At one time she languishes to be "a swallow," which is exquisitely ridiculous; at another, she roars, like a lion, "It was the Normans conquered England!" and then again—imagine Lablache in "Othello"—she is "all over the premises" in the chorus of "The Charming Cabby:"

"O, charming driver of the hack,
Come back t' attack; you lack no smack
Of all that makes my heartstrings crack!
Oh, cab! my ly, by!
O (tremendously crescendo) my duck of a cabby!"

The songs much resemble those of America and England, Berlin and Vienna, in presenting supposed types of trades and callings, such as the grocers, counterskippers, workgirls, motto ballads, sentimental romances, as "I wish to die in France," "Heaven alone will bring her home," "It does us good as it steals by," "You never know how happy you might have been;" chaumont songs for girls in their teens, full of frisky lines and vile suggestions (but these things don't affect the Government's pet Censurer), such as "Dear, didn't I cry that day?" "The first time I was tipsy!" "That scapegrace love," "I am too little, so they say; but I knew more than *that* last May!" "If I wore braces like my brother;" hits at momentary sensations, like "The Tattooed Man," "The Man who Swallowed a Fork," "The Russian Man-dog," etc.

We repeat, anything is permitted by the Censure which does not excite to violent feelings between men. There is no attack on the authorities, high or low, and brief was the holiday under the Commune when the music-halls were requisitioned for benefits to the Parisian soldiery, and "Daddy, Ma, and Little Badinguet" vied with "The Heads of Pipes" for the applause of the Amazons of the Seine-et-Oise and their cousins.

As is natural in a wine-producing country, the lays in favor of drink are countless. Not a wine without its paean, not a serious tract without its Delavigne. Sea-songs are scarce, though a dainty cabin-boy is now and then permeated by a roundfaced, curly-haired woman. The words are more intelligently written than any of our songs, and those full of slang at least have that vulgar wit which sparkles on a day of a ham or a gingerbread fair at Montmartre, or the Barriere de la Trone.

The music is in tones higher than what goes down the London throat: the romances are of a more musicianly strain than Virginia Gabriel's and Claribel's. The composers are rising men of merit, nine-out of ten, whose works indeed are mangled systematically for the London lion-comiques, and thence are transferred to us, unhappy changelings, who hear in the shrill-throated birthmark, or false Gaelic, Chassaigne, Michiels, Villebichot, Duhein, etc., would not sound so unfamiliar. Sing the men's songs, by all means, for they are produced for the people; but let the authors have, at least, the unsubstantial reward of fame! You publishers of altered music have it at your doorsteps, the ghouls of wretched authors, who lay dead in the Morgue for want of the bread a fiftieth of your profits on his ballad would have over-supplied him! Herve, Vasseur, Robillard, Debillemont, and the like, were glad in younger days to supply the music halls; and a capital practicing-ground it remains for those who, in the words of one of them, hope "the breeze, in passing over the lyre, will carry his concertos to immortality!" Among the authors are the veteran Gounaud (wrote grand-opera books in 1840, and now writes operettas for music-halls); Flan, the eccentric poet, whose volume of "Impossible Rhymes" is amusing; the profuse Philibert, Delermel and Villemer, Baumaine and Blondelet. Most of them were of the expectant throng whom Theresa used to hear at her piano, with her servant in the next room to listen. If the woman not merely snickered, but ha-ha'd right out, the author and composer had the bargain struck at once. Never did this plan, borrowed from Moliere and his housekeeper, fail to provide a success.

Sundays, Mondays and Thursdays (school holidays) are days for large houses. On them a portion of the audience, after sitting out the performance, hasten to the cafe-restaurant in the charcuteries for refreshment, and thence, according to means and locality, finish at the balls Mabille, Bullier, Chateau Rouges, Casino, Tivoli, at which last resort one may see the famous Kacadoc quadrille romped through by the original party, Clodoche as an Incroyable, La Normande as a market porter, Louise the laundress as Mlle. Lance, and Olga as Clairette, all to keep the ball a-rolling. On a warm night, with your hotel windows wide open, you may hear the belated dancers dragging themselves home to the air of "The Tanners," or "Place a ma Bottine!" or something else with suspicious resemblance to a London or New York success.

AN ECCENTRIC MOON.—Thomas Brown was employed at the theatre a few years ago as a kind of utility man, and one night the manager put him behind the scene at the rear of the stage, to take care of the moon. Brown had a candle on the end of a long pole, and it was his duty to hold the light behind the moon, which was merely a round, unpainted space in the curtain, and to pull the curtain slowly up, to represent the rising of the moon. Brown seated himself on a piece of baronial castle, and, while waiting for the order to go to work, he fell asleep. Presently the tragedian on the stage said to the heroine: "Swear by yon bright moon," etc., etc., and turned to point to it, but the orb of night was not there. The stage-manager flew around and gave Brown a kick, and in a frenzy ordered him to "h'ist that moon quick." Brown was bewildered, and, without waiting for further orders, he let the curtain crash up with a one jerk, when the cord broke, and down it came again. Another string was hurriedly rigged on the pulley, and the moon began to rise properly; but Brown's nerves were so unstrung by fright that he couldn't hold the candle steadily behind it so that there were fifteen or twenty eclipses during its ascent, the light meanwhile wandering all over the curtain, to the infinite amusement of the audience. However, the luminary got safely up at last, and the tragedian again observed: "Swear by yon bright moon:" but before the words were fairly out the cord snapped again, the curtain unrolled with velocity, and broke loose from the roller, revealing Brown, the lunar elevator, roaming around in his shirt sleeves with a candle on a stick. A moment later the manager was fumbling among his hair, and that very night Mr. Brown closed his theatrical career. The manager remarked to a confidential friend that while a man was capable of making the same moon rise three times in one night, and of getting up any number of eclipses and other astronomical phenomena, might be valuable for some purposes, he was about as fit for a theatre as a wall-eyed mule was for singing hymns.

HOPES AND FEARS.

Of what is the young girl thinking
As she gazes, with wistful eyes,
On that fair and smiling landscape,
Those calm and cloudless skies?
She thinks of her first fond lover,
Dearer than aught beside:
She remembers the songs of the rover
With tenderness and pride.

She recalls their sorrowful parting,
How like a dream it appears,
And her heart grows heavy and sad
With a woman's unspoken fears.
She retraces each well-known spot
Where love's bright moments flew,
And a little word of tender memories
Still keeps her warm heart true.

And many a whispered prayer
Is wafted along the breeze,
For the loved, the absent one,
Severed by land and seas.
And she pictures a blissful future,
Calm, tranquil days in store,
When the absent shall return
To leave her side no more.

GOODNOUGH.

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Goodnough is a man of the best intentions. Goodnough's nature prompts him to acts of kindness, at all times and in all places. Goodnough wishes to do everybody a "good turn," irrespective of religion or politics, sex or color; and, whenever it is possible for him to do so, he never allows the opportunity to slip by without improving it. Goodnough does not always wait for direct appeals to his sympathy, consideration and good feeling, but is often voluntarily and unsolicitedly the bearer of favors to be entertained by Pythias for Damon.

One great trouble is, that Goodnough's means and ability are not commensurate to the carrying-out of all his intended benefactions and obligations under which he lays himself, otherwise he would cause much less disappointment, save himself much annoyance and vexation, and receive the praises of those he intends to benefit, instead of, in numerous instances, their curses, we are sorry to say.

Goodnough meets Widow Stokely in the street, with her boy of fourteen. He has not seen the widow before in several months. Goodnough is extremely glad to see the widow, as a matter of course—and her boy likewise. He shakes hands with them heartily, expresses great pleasure at seeing them (means what he says, too), inquires as to their present state of health, and how they have been since he last saw them, and all that sort of thing, you know.

"You've grown, James, since I saw you last. Likely-looking lad, Mrs. Stokely—very likely-looking lad."

At this repeat, with its enhancing adjective, Goodnough lays his hand upon the lad's shoulder, looking benignly into his face.

"What are you going to be, James? Be a merchant, my son—a merchant. I can get you into a first-class house—friends of mine. Don't mind it, my dear, you will be appreciated, my son. Will I, madame? Why, to be sure I will. No thanks, no thanks, my good woman. I shall be most happy to be the medium through which he will be started on a useful, honorable and profitable career—indeed, I shall. I will go down this very day and see my friends know that I have a nice boy on hand. Don't mention it, my good woman, about my being very kind—don't. I feel in duty bound to do as much as that for a fellow-creature. Let me see—give me your address. Ah, yes! I had forgotten the number. Expect to hear from me to-morrow—no, say the next day, at farthest. No trouble at all, my good woman, none at all; but if it will be a pleasure to me, I assure you. Good-day—good-day, James; you have a future before you, my son."

Goodnough proceeds on his way, happy in the consciousness of having performed a pleasurable *duty*. And why shouldn't he be? Had he not filled the lad with bright anticipations of the future, when he would be a "merchant prince?" And had he not made that fond mother happy by the interest he had manifested in her boy, and the voluntary offer he had made to place him with friends of his who would appreciate him, and whose employ he would entice him from, whence he could aspire to reach their own? To be sure he had.

Goodnough meets a young gentleman, a friend of his—Claxton his name.

"I'm glad to see you, my boy. How do you do? How are you getting along in this life-struggle?—well, I hope. What can I do for you—anything? If I'll tell you, my dear fellow—how would you like—pshaw! why should I ask the question? You would like an order from the Post-office Department for some of your goods. I can get it for you, my friend. Let me see—I will drop in on you to-morrow, and take the necessary steps to the Postmaster. Don't mention it, my dear fellow—I don't want any thanks. I shall really reap as much pleasure in getting you an order from the Department as you will in receiving it, believe me. Acquainted with him—who, the Postmaster? Well, I should say so. Why, we graduated together, and our relations have been the most cordial from that time up. I want him to know *you*, my dear boy, and to-morrow or next day I'll bring it about. Any time, when you want any accommodation, don't hesitate to call upon me. You can count upon *me*, my dear fellow. Good-day."

Goodnough is happy in the increase and the other inwardly pronounces him one of the very few in this world who take any interest in the welfare of their neighbors, and is highly elated at the prospect of getting an order from the Government.

Goodnough meets an acquaintance whose better-half is the victim of a vicious habit which stubbornly refuses to yield to medical treatment.

"Don't improve any, eh? Sorry, my dear Blimper—sorry. Now, I tell you what I am going to do, and I won't listen to anything to the contrary: I'm going to send Doctor Surepop to your house, and I *know* he can help madame, if not cure her. I believe he can cure her. He's my doctor, and a wonderful man he is, Blimper. No use, you say? I say yes. At all events, he can tell you whether she can or cannot be cured at the first visit, which shall cost you nothing—the doctor is under obligations to me, you know, and will oblige me. I shall look to his professional services to a friend of mine. He'll be there to-morrow, Blimper, and you tell madame to make up her mind that she is going to get well. Good-day."

"That woman shall be cured, and Surepop can cure her," mentally asseverated Goodnough as he proceeded on his way.

"He's the best in the world, that Goodnough," mentally asserted Blimper as he went on. "He has great confidence in Surepop, and I hope he can help Mary—perhaps he can."

Goodnough meets a young daughter of an old friend.

"Why, Lizzie, how do you do? I'm very glad to see you, I declare! Why, you're as plump as a partridge and fair as a lily, Lizzie, and look as though you just came out of the bandbox. How are the folks—all well? I'm glad to hear it. How are you getting on with your music-lessons? Finely, eh? That's good. Your father tells me you got a piano yet, Lizzie, he? Well, all right—you shall have one, Lizzie. Yes, I mean it. There's a piano-man who owes me money, and I'll have him send a piano to your house right away—let me see, to-morrow or next day—and, if you like it, your father and I can arrange about it easily enough. I'll come over and hear you play then, Lizzie. Remember me to your parents, and be a good girl, now. Good-bye."

"Yes, she shall have a piano. I might better get that out of Holdbacher than nothing," mused Goodnough as he moved on.

"What a kind man he is! How glad mother'll be!" thought Lizzie, as she tripped gayly along, thinking of the piano promised, and the pleasure in prospect in consequence.

Goodnough meets Rankin.

"Well, well, I'm glad to see you, Rankin. How go matters? Come, come, I tell you what, Rankin, you aint in the right place. A billet in the Custom-house would suit you better, and pay better, and I can engineer the thing, too. Would I? Why, you don't know me, my dear fellow. I'll write immediately to the Secretary of the Treasury, an old friend of mine, you know, who would be happy to oblige me, rest assured; and you may consider yourself as good as installed, Rankin. Come and see me in about four days, my dear fellow, and I'll have something agreeable to impart to you, depend. Good-day."

It is unnecessary for us to augment this article by further instances of Goodnough's peculiar trait of character.

Thus he is, thus he ever has been, and thus he will be through life. Nothing have we painted him more vivid than his natural color. The shade is true to life. Of nothing is he deeper or lighter than the color here laid on.

The number of these voluntary offers—promises and obligations they amount to—which Goodnough has made during his lifetime must make a high figure in the thousands. Many of these voluntary offers he has made upon the occasion of those who approached the field from the avenues on the east side of High street. Each was bordered for a short distance by the standings of itinerant vendors of walnuts, oysters, and fried sausages, beyond which was a long street of gingerbread stalls, terminated, in the one case, by the shows of the exhibitors of waxwork, living curiosities, and pictorial representations of great historical events, and in the other by the smaller and less pretentious drinking-booths. At right angles to these canvas-streets, and opening from them near their commencement, was a third, covered over with an awning, and composed of the stalls of the dealers in toys and fancy goods. This was called Bond street.

Parallel with this avenue, and connecting the farther ends of the two streets of gingerbread-stalls, but broader than the others, bordered on the side from which it was approached with gingerbread-stalls, and on the farther side with the principal shows and booths. First in order, on the latter side, stood Clarke's Circus, with the proprietor on the steps in a scarlet coat and white breeches, smacking a whip, and shouting: "This way for the riders! the riders! the riders!" Three or four spotted and cream-colored horses, gayly caparisoned, stood on the platform, and a clown cracked his "wheeze" with a couple of young fellows in tights and trunks, in their intervals of repose from acrobatic feats of the ordinary character.

Next to the circus stood a portable theatre, usually Scratchley's, in rivalry with the neighboring show of the famous Richardson, which was always the largest, and worked by the strongest company. On the exterior platforms of both, practical jokes were played upon the Pantaloon by the Harlequin and Clown; young ladies in short muslin skirts danced to the lively strains of the orchestra, and broadsword combats were fought in the approved one-two-three, over-and-under style. Next to Richardson's show stood the menagerie of Wombwell or Atkins, where a broad array of pictorial canvas attracted a wondering crowd, and the brazen instruments of musicians, "full in uniform," sounded from those of the royal "beef-eaters," brayed and blared from noon till night. Then came the principal booths, wherein eating and drinking were the order of the day, and dancing that of the night. The largest and best-appointed of these was the Crown and Anchor, well known to fair-goers for half a century, the name of Algar being "familiar in their mouths as household words," as that of an experienced caterer for their entertainment. There was a tolerable quadrille band in attendance from eve till midnight, and, in the best days of the fair, the sons and daughters of the shopkeepers of the town and the farmers of the surrounding neighborhood mingled in the dance in the "Assembly-room" of Algar's booth without fear of scandal or loss of caste. There was dancing in the other booths; but they were smaller, the music and the lighting were inferior, and the company less select. Among those that stood in a line with Algar's were the Five Courts, kept by an ex-pugilist, and patronized chiefly by gentlemen of the "fancy;" and the gipsys' booth, which had no other sign than the ancient one of a green bough, and was resorted to for the novelty of being waited upon by dark-eyed and dusky-complexioned Romanies wearing bright-colored silk handkerchiefs over their shoulders and long gold pendants in their ears.

"Been so taken up with this thing and that thing, you know. But it's all right, my dear fellow. This very afternoon I will write the Secretary. To-morrow morning he will get my letter, and that fixes you for a certainty. Drop round in two or three days."

And Claxton is one of those who, having had his hopes and expectations kindled and raised by Goodnough, is not content to let them die a natural death; but, desirous and anxious about "that order" from the P. O Department, drops in upon Goodnough after the lapse of a few days, to "see about it," Goodnough meeting him as he does the others whom he meant to do a good turn.

"Syncope and Judson, and who else did you say had been in, Henry?" said Goodnough to his office-boy, who has informed him of several calls made upon him that morning.

"Oh, yes—Rankin. I declare, he's getting to be a bore. I wonder if he thinks I've nothing else to do but to look after his interests. Dear me, they worry the life out of me. When I agree to do anything for anybody else, I'll be grayer-headed than I am now. And Syncope—why don't he go and see Gilmore himself about getting an engagement? To be sure, I told him I would speak to Gilmore, and so I will; but, bless my soul, I've got something else to do besides running round and looking out for other people. Ah, Lizzie! So you've come to scold me, haven't you? Well, I deserve it. But, really, Lizzie —say, you come right along with me now. I'll have that piano for you in half an hour. I've been so busy, you know. Ah, James, is that you? Can you wait an hour? I'll go down with you to the place I was speaking of. You'll come in again, eh? Well, do. I've got to go out with this young lady. Good-morning, Rankin. I haven't heard from the Secretary yet, my dear fellow."

"And that aint the worst of it, I guess. You know what I think of you, Goodnough! I think you are an old dam. It's a hundred to one you haven't written the Secretary, and double that odds that you don't know him from a doodle-bug."

"Sir!"

Goodnough and Lizzie depart for "that piano," meeting Claxton on the way, who "looks daggers" at Goodnough, and passes without speaking. Unfortunately for "Lizzie," Holdbacher, the debtor of her well-meaning but injudicious friend Goodnough, decamped the day before for parts unknown and poor "Lizzie" goes home with a "broken heart," and can't be persuaded into any other belief than that Goodnough is "an old fraud."

And so it goes with Goodnough, day in and day out. He is hounded and "harassed to death" by those whom he raises to the clouds by his voluntary offers to serve a good turn.

Still he offers, keeps offering, imagining he can accomplish all he proposes, and *meaning* to do so at the time, in the enthusiasm of contact with a friend or acquaintance. Ten per cent. of his good intentions Goodnough may carry out, leaving a balance of ninety per cent. against him; and, consequently, in metaphorical hot-water is Goodnough constantly immersed.

Did you ever meet with "Goodnough," reader? He is by no means a *rara avis*.

SI SLOKUM.

OLD LONDON FAIRS.

In 1838 Johnson & Lee presented a memorial to the Home Office, asking permission to hold a fair in Hyde Park, to celebrate the coronation of the Queen. The Government acceded to the request, and Superintendent Mallalieu was associated with the memorialists in the organization and management of the undertaking. A tent was pitched in the centre of the ground selected for the purpose, and three managers attended daily, to arrange the plan, classify the shows, stalls, etc., and receive applications for space, which were so numerous that it became necessary to post constables before the tent to maintain order. As each applicant stated the nature of his business, the application was entered in a book kept for the purpose, and a day was named for the allotment of ground. Every foot of space granted for the purpose by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods and Forests was taken within a week, and every intending exhibitor received a ticket in the following form:

FAIR IN HYDE PARK.
No..... ALLOTMENT OF GROUND.
The bearer.....*is hereby entitled to*.....*feet of frontage on the*.....*side of the arena for the purpose of erecting a*.....
.....*June*, 1838. J. M. MALLALIEU, Supt.

Every ticket-holder was requested to fit up his show or stall in a becoming manner, and to display as illumination some device suitable to the occasion. The request in this case was adhered to in a commendable manner, and a very pretty effect was thus produced when the fair was opened, on the 28th of June, and the numerous shows, booths, and stalls were illuminated at night with so many thousands of colored lamps. As the boom of the first gun announcing the departure of the Queen for Westminster Abbey was heard, Nelson Lee, standing on the parade of his theatre, struck the gong, and all the showmen unfurled their show-cloths, and the keepers of the booths and stalls rolled up their canvas fronts, and commenced business.

The fair was a great success, the financial results being as satisfactory as its organization and management. Many of the nobility visited it, and even patronized the amusements, as they had been wont to do at Bartholomew Fair in the seventeenth century, and the first half of the eighteenth. Johnson & Lee's Theatre filled on the opening day in five minutes, and the time occupied by the performances was reduced to fifteen minutes. The drama was "The Mysterious Stranger," which, thus contracted, became more mysterious than ever. All the principal avenues were crowded from noon till night, and the demand upon the resources of the refreshment booths was so great that Algar and other principal booth-keepers charged, and had no difficulty in obtaining, a shilling for a pot of beer, and sixpence for a lettuce or a penny loaf, other articles being sold at proportionate rates.

During the fair the wife of a gingerbread vendor gave birth to a child, which, in commemoration of the occasion, was registered by the name of Hyde Park. The stall was, in consequence of this event, allowed to remain several days after the time by which the promoters of the fair had undertaken to have the ground cleared, and was visited by many ladies, who made presents to the child and its mother. Though the ground had been let at a low rate, a surplus of sixty pounds remained after defraying all expenses, and this sum was awarded to Johnson & Lee; but they did not apply for it, and it was divided among the constables who did police duty in the fair. The services of Johnson & Lee in promoting and organizing the fair, and of Superintendent Mallalieu in supervising the arrangements and maintaining order, were so well appreciated by the showmen and the keepers of booths and stalls that they joined in presenting each with a silver cup, at a dinner which took place at the Champion Tavern, Paddington.

At the ordinary fairs visited during the latter part of this year, Johnson & Lee exhibited a panorama of the Coronation, painted by Marshall, which proved very attractive. Enfield Fair being spoiled by wet weather, application was made to the local magistrates for a wet day, which in this country was always conceded in such circumstances; but it was refused. the Enfield Justice showing by a fact of opinion that actors and acrobats were vagabonds who ought to be discouraged by every possible means. Resolved not to be disappointed, Johnson & Lee issued a bill in the name of Nelson Lee, as the performers in the theatre, announcing that, in consequence of the wet weather having prevented him from clearing his stock of nuts, the proprietor had given him the use of that theatre for an extra day, when the usual performance would be given without charge, but prices ranging from one shilling to three shillings would be charged for nuts to be supplied to persons admitted.

Hayden's Theatre made its last appearance at Croydon Fair, where great exertions were made to render it as attractive as Johnson & Lee's; but it was not patronized as the latter's offer to purchase the concern, being entertained by the proprietor, it from that time ceased to exist, being absorbed into the more popular establishment.

Croydon Fair used, at this time, to be visited by large numbers of persons, not only from the surrounding villages, but even from the metropolis. All the inhabitants of the town prepared for visitors, for everyone who had a relative or acquaintance in Croydon was sure to make the fair an occasion for a visit. Two time-honored customs were connected with the October fair, everybody commencing fires in the sitting-rooms on the first day of the fair, and dining on roast pork or goose. The latter custom was observed even by those who, having no friends to visit, dined in a booth; and the number of geese and legs of pork to be seen roasting before glowing charcoal fires, in great public-houses with, in the rear of booths, was one of the sights of the fair.

There were two entrances to the fair from the town—one at the gate, which gave access at ordinary times to the footpath across the field leading to Park Hill; and the other, made for the occasion, farther down the lane for the accommodation of those who approached the field from the avenues on the east side of High street. Each was bordered for a short distance by the standings of itinerant vendors of walnuts, oysters, and fried sausages, beyond which was a long street of gingerbread stalls, terminated, in the one case, by the shows of the exhibitors of waxwork, living curiosities, and pictorial representations of great historical events, and in the other by the smaller and less pretentious drinking-booths. At right angles to these canvas-streets, and opening from them near their commencement, was a third, covered over with an awning, and composed of the stalls of the dealers in toys and fancy goods. This was called Bond street.

Parallel with this avenue, and connecting the farther ends of the two streets of gingerbread-stalls, but broader than the others, bordered on the side from which it was approached with gingerbread-stalls, and on the farther side with the principal shows and booths. First in order, on the latter side, stood Clarke's Circus, with the proprietor on the steps in a scarlet coat and white breeches, smacking a whip, and shouting: "This way for the riders! the riders! the riders!" Three or four spotted and cream-colored horses, gayly caparisoned, stood on the platform, and a clown cracked his "wheeze" with a couple of young fellows in tights and trunks, in their intervals of repose from acrobatic feats of the ordinary character.

Next to the circus stood a portable theatre, usually Scratchley's, in rivalry with the neighboring show of the famous Richardson, which was always the largest, and worked by the strongest company. On the exterior platforms of both, practical jokes were played upon the Pantaloon by the Harlequin and Clown; young ladies in short muslin skirts danced to the lively strains of the orchestra, and broadsword combats were fought in the approved one-two-three, over-and-under style. Next to Richardson's show stood the menagerie of Wombwell or Atkins, where a broad array of pictorial canvas attracted a wondering crowd, and the brazen instruments of musicians, "full in uniform," sounded from those of the royal "beef-eaters," brayed and blared from noon till night. Then came the principal booths, wherein eating and drinking were the order of the day, and dancing that of the night. The largest and best-appointed of these was the Crown and Anchor, well known to fair-goers for half a century, the name of Algar being "familiar in their mouths as household words," as that of an experienced caterer for their entertainment. There was a tolerable quadrille band in attendance from eve till midnight, and, in the best days of the fair, the sons and daughters of the shopkeepers of the town and the farmers of the surrounding neighborhood mingled in the dance in the "Assembly-room" of Algar's booth without fear of scandal or loss of caste. There was dancing in the other booths; but they were smaller, the music and the lighting were inferior, and the company less select. Among those that stood in a line with Algar's were the Five Courts, kept by an ex-pugilist, and patronized chiefly by gentlemen of the "fancy;" and the gipsys' booth, which had no other sign than the ancient one of a green bough, and was resorted to for the novelty of being waited upon by dark-eyed and dusky-complexioned Romanies wearing bright-colored silk handkerchiefs over their shoulders and long gold pendants in their ears.

Within the area inclosed by these avenues were swings and round-abouts, while the "knock 'em downs," the "three-shies-a-penny" fellows, the predecessors of the Aunt Sallies of a later day, occupied the vacant spaces on the skirts of the pleasure fair, wherever ground was not covered, on the first day, with horses, sheep and cattle.

At midnight on the last the fair was opened by the ceremony of carrying an enormous key through it, and the booth-keepers were then allowed to serve any customers who might offer. By daylight the next morning the roads leading to the fair-field were thronged with sheep and cattle, thousands of which, with scores of horses, changed owners before sunset. There was little movement in the long avenues of shows, booths, and stalls, until near noon, when nursery-maids led their charges through Bond street, and mothers took their younger children there to buy toys. About midday the showmen unfurled their pictures, which appealed so strongly to the imagination of the spectators, the bands of the larger shows began to play, and clowns and acrobats, dancers and jugglers, appeared upon the exterior platforms. From this time till sunset the throng of visitors increased rapidly, and on fine days the crowd before the principal shows was so dense as to offer considerable impediment to locomotion.

When darkness began to descend upon the field, lamps flared and flickered on the fronts of the shows, smaller lights glimmered along the toy and gingerbread stalls, and thousands of tiny lamps, blue, and amber, and green, and ruby, arranged in the form of stars, crowns, anchors, feathers, etc., illuminated the booths. Then the showmen beat their gongs with redoubled vigor, and bawled through speaking-trumpets till they were hoarse; the bands played and blazed louder than before; and the sounds of harps and violins showed that dancing had commenced in the booths.

In those days it sometimes happened that two circuses attended the fair, when the larger of the two was pitched in a field on the west side of the road, and bounded on the south by Mint Walk, one of the avenues by which the fair was approached from High street, in a circus thus located—I think it was Clarke's —Miss Woolford, afterwards the second wife of the great equestrian Andrew Ducrow, exhibited her grace and agility on the tight-rope in a blaze of fireworks, in emulation of the celebrated Madame Saqui's performance at Vauxhall Gardens. The equestrian profession still numbers Ducrows in its ranks, two young men of that name belonging at the present time to Newsome's Circus Company; but I have not met with the name of Woolford since 1842, when a young lady of that name, and then about twelve or thirteen years of age, danced on a tight-rope in a small show pitched at the back of the town-hall at Croydon during the July fair.

The October fair at Croydon closed the season of the shows which confined their perambulations to a distance of fifty miles from the metropolis, where, or in the provincial towns possessing theatres, the actors, clowns, acrobats, etc., obtained engagements for the pantomime season.

TRUE HISTORY OF THE GIANT TEUTOBOCCHUS

In the history of giants, Teutobocchus, a king of the Cimbri, who invaded Gaul, plays a very prominent part. The discovery of the bones of a supposed giant of the marvelous length of twenty-five feet in the early part of the seventeenth century astonished the wisest men of the period, and it was over two hundred years before the savants decided that the skeleton discovered belonged to a mastodon.

"That is all very well," said the Britons; "there are some curious historical facts in connection with the remains of the mastodon which ought not to be passed over in silence.

"On the 11th of January, 1613, the workmen in a sand-pit situated near the castle of Chaumont, in Dauphiny, between the cities of Montracourt and St. Amour, on the confines of Burgundy and Savoy, some bones, many of which were broken up by them. The bones belonged to some great fossil mammal; but the existence of such animals was at this time wholly unknown. Informed of the discovery, a gentleman named Mazuyer purchased the bones and gave out that he himself discovered them in a tomb thirty feet long by fifteen broad, built of bricks, upon which he found the inscription 'Teutobocchus-Rex.' He added that in the same tomb he found half a hundred medals with the effigy of Marius. This Teutobocchus was a barbarian king who invaded Gaul at the head of Cimbri, and who was vanquished near Aix, in Provence, by Marius, who carried him to Rome to grace his triumphant procession. In the notice which he published in confirmation of this story, Mazuyer reminded the public that, according to the testimony of Roman authors, the head of the Teuton king exceeded in dimensions all the rest of his body, and was worthy of such a triumph. The skeleton which he exhibited was five-and-twenty feet in length, and ten broad.

"Mazuyer exhibited the skeleton of the pretended Teutobocchus in all the cities of France and Germany, and also before Louis XIII, who took great interest in contemplating the marvels. It gave rise to a long controversy, or rather an interminable dispute, in which the anatomist Riolan distinguished himself, arguing against Habicot, a physician whose name is all but forgotten. Riolan attempted to prove that the bones of the pretended king were those of an elephant. Numerous pamphlets were exchanged, as well as great personalities, when the opponents met. We learn also from Gassendi that a Jesuit of Tournon named Jacques Tissot was the author of the notice published by Mazuyer. Gassendi also proves that the pretended medals of Marius were forgeries, on the ground that they bore Gothic characters.

"It seems very strange that these bones, which are still preserved in the cases of the Museum of Natural History in Paris, where anybody may see them, should ever have been mistaken for a single moment for human remains. The skeleton of Teutobocchus remained at Bordeaux till 1832, when it was sent to the Museum of Natural History in Paris, where M. De Blainville declared that it belonged to a mastodon."

PIGEON-SHOOTING.

Letter from Henry Bergh to James Gordon Bennett.

THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS,
FOURTH AVENUE, COR 22D STREET,
NEW YORK, Sept. 30, 1875.

JAMES GORDON BENNETT, ESQ.—*Sir*: The relation you bear to the public as purveyor of a widely-circulating journal is the excuse I have for intruding myself on your notice. As such, I am sure that you will agree with me that your moral responsibility surpasses that of ordinary men. Through the columns of your paper, as well as by the personal example which you set in your words as its representative, you largely influence public sentiment and shape the action, for good or evil, of old and young. Whether you do this in the interest of your country's moral and material progress, when you sanction and promote, by your position, wealth and active participation, the useless slaughter and mutilation of innocent animals, is the purpose of this communication. I assume that you will not deny the postulate that all living creatures are endowed with the right to live, so long as they do not, by reason of their acts or hurtful presence, forfeit that right. To do otherwise would be to question Divine wisdom and authority. Let us suppose a case. It is that of a bird which has already been captured by your artifice or skill. It is not only harmless, but, by reason of its beauty, innocence and helplessness, appeals most touchingly to your pity, justice and humanity. You are a practical marksman, and you require, perhaps, recreation, or demand relief from wasting *ennui*. The arms which rest on you for your passion for the chase are of the richest and most approved quality; the day is fine, and the fields and groves are melodious with the songs of happy feathered creatures. Suddenly, you experience the strange desire to kill, to destroy the hapless being in your power, and display a scene which lies like a dream of Paradise before you.

You are not alone—friends and admirers of your accuracy of aim are with you, and among them—horribly out of place—fair women are also seen! Your servants place the unresisting animal in a trap, and the life which God gave for His glory and support of our race awaits its unrequired sacrifice.

Now, let us imagine for a moment that this unoffending little being is suddenly endowed with speech. Might not its language be somewhat like the following?

I am wholly in your power; you will not pretend that I have ever harmed you, or that there exists any natural or legitimate reason for my destruction. The sphere in which I moved was assigned me by the same Allwise Being who made you, and so bountifully endowed you with wealth, reason and all the material possessions of this world. I was betrayed into captivity while seeking to provide a nourishment for my little family, now dead of starvation.

You are about to immolate me upon the blood-stained altar of Pigeon-Shooting, that you may gain by the crashing of my delicate limbs and rupture of arteries a senseless target would not afford you? If, however, this little body, so cunningly and so mysteriously contrived by its Creator, be necessary to your reasonable sport, is not a brief existence which it inherits be required for any purpose which religion and human policy condemn not—take it, it is yours; but offend not its Author nor insult the cultivated spirit of your generation, by a deed which your own conscience, on reflection, will characterize, but which I refrain from doing.

Thus, I say, might the unoffending little creature address you; and what answer could you make? None, absolutely none; nor could the combined intellect and learning of the world controvert the argument of this tiny pleader for your irresistible fiat.

If you have favored me with your attention thus far, permit me to claim your indulgence for a moment longer. Believing, perhaps, in the harmlessness of your views touching the subject to which I have ventured to invite your consideration, I learn that you have drawn from your abundant resources the tempting offer of $10,000 to him who will *kill* or disable the greatest number of pigeons on a certain day. To me there is always something indescribably sorrow

CUPID'S FOIBLES, FOLLIES AND FANCIES.

WAITING.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY MARION BACKETT.

A sigh, a kiss, a parting look,
And then he turned away;
While she went back her lonely road,
To wait, to watch, and pray.

O dreary days! O sleepless nights!
Poor patient, waiting heart,
The years will come, the years will go,
And your paths lie still apart.

Your lover false, forgotten now
The vows you thought most true;
And of his heart-beats, there's not one
That's given to love or you.

You wait his coming all in vain,
With eyes grown dim in tears,
While hope, alas! in its grave lies low,
With thoughts of happier years.

SUIT FOR DIVORCE AND ALIMONY.

The extraordinary history of John Bute Holmes, the rich civil-engineer of Nassau street, developed in the famous Chamberlayne-Holmes breach-of-promise suit, and fully reported at the time in *The Times*, was fittingly supplemented yesterday in the Supreme Court, Special Term, before Jurge Curtis, by proceedings against him, for limited divorce and alimony, by a wife who has not heretofore appeared in the proceedings. It will be remembered that Holmes was proved to have had several wives living at the same time, to have served part of a term in the State-prison, on the testimony of a woman purporting to be his wife, for forgery, in inducing another woman to personate her and sign her name to a deed to some property he was selling; and to have served a year in the penitentiary for killing a policeman with whose wife he was intimate. Numberless other crimes of a more or less grave character were also laid at his door. He was said to be the owner of a splendid estate and two quarries in New Jersey, and to be worth altogether in the neighborhood of half a million dollars. A verdict of $6,000 was found against him. On Friday the lady who claims to be his first wife took the stand, after the usual preliminary speech of her counsel. She testified that her maiden name was Anna Maria Clear, and that she now resides in Brooklyn; she was born in Cork, Ireland, and resided with an aunt, Mrs. Seymour, in that city, of which her father was a merchant; when she was fifteen years of age she met the defendant, and eight months subsequently, on March 25, 1838, was married to him in the Presbyterian Church of Sundaywell, a suburb of Cork, by Rev. Mr. Sloane the rector; she and her husband took up their residence at Mrs. Seymour's house, and her father got him employment in his profession from the British Government at Fermoy. Subsequently her father supplied the means to take him to this country, she coming here soon after him. They first resided with an old friend named Mr. Swayne, to whom she introduced Holmes as her husband. Subsequently they went to Owego, where he found employment as a surveyor, and later on they returned to Ireland, when he again entered the service of the British Government, she residing with her grandmother, at Carrigoline, County Cork. Then Holmes went to London, still in the Goverment service, and later they both came back to America together; they lived at various places, his conduct gradually becoming bad, his temper violent, and his manner abusive and threatening; then Holmes went back to Europe alone, returning to America in 1848; they continued to reside together in this city, Staten Island and Brooklyn until 1856; then one daughter was living of their three children; they resided on Eighth avenue; at this period Holmes endeavored to persuade his wife to sell their furniture, and take their daughter and go back to Ireland, saying that she could occupy one of his mother's houses at Carrigoline, and that the rental of the others and remittances which he would forward would support them. Suspecting that this was only a plea to get rid of her, she refused. Holmes then sent his man to the house, and took away all the furniture, including a piano, the property of their daughter. She subsequently learned from the brother of the lady that he used the furniture to fit up apartments on the east side of town for a Miss Kerr, whom he married. Thus rendered destitute, the witness was at first compelled to live out as a servant; subsequently she taught her found employment as a school-teacher, and has supported her ever since. Between 1856 and August, 1873, all she received from Holmes was $200; since 1873 she has never received a penny. Holmes always told her that he had become reduced in circumstances and was very poor, and she believed him until she read in *The Times* the exposure consequent on the breach-of-promise suit, wherein it appeared that he was a rich man. Then, by advice of friends, she employed counsel to institute the present proceedings.

Mrs. Holmes' daughter followed her mother upon the witness' stand, and corroborated her in every particular so far as lay within her knowledge. She also identified several letters, which were put in evidence, breathing ardent affection and addressed to Mrs. Anna M. Holmes, as in the handwriting of the defendant. Mrs. Williamson, of Staten Island, Mrs. Dr. Johnson of Degraw street, Brooklyn, and Mr. Swayne all swore positively that the plaintiff and defendant lived together as man and wife, and were reputed to be such. Mrs. Charlotte O'Connor, the defendant's half-sister, testified in an emphatic manner that she knew them to be man and wife. When asked on cross-examination whether she harbored any ill-feeling against her half-brother, she answered that she did. She was asked if it was very intense. She answered that it could not be more so. She was requested to give the reason, and she appealed to the Court for protection. Judge Curtis decided that the need not answer. A certified abstract from the marriage-record of the Sundaywell Presbyterian Church, bearing the attestation of a notary public and of the United States Consul in Cork, corroborative of Mrs. Holmes' story, was offered in evidence, but was ruled out by Judge Curtis as not necessary, and because counsel has been unable to comply with certain preliminaries necessary to make it good proof. Yesterday Mr. Morgan, for Holmes, made a motion to dismiss the suit, quoting numerous authorities, Mr. Spellissey replied also with authorities, and Judge Curtis denied the motion. The defendant then took the stand. He swore that he was born March 31, 1822, on the Island of Mauritius; that at eight years of age he went to Cork; that he met the plaintiff there at school, and flirted with her, but was never married to her; that he never heard of Rev. Mr. Sloane before, and was never in the Sundaywell Church; that he is not a Methodist, as stated in the marriage-certificate, but an Episcopalian; that he left Cork in April, 1838, and that then he was a regular surveyor, though but sixteen years of age (in the Chamberlayne case he swore he left Cork in May or June of 1842); that when he arrived in America he resided with his godfather, Joseph Wolf Wright, author of "Wright's Grammar;" that the plaintiff came with him merely under his protection, and that she introduced him to Mr. Swayne as her husband solely for the purpose of identification, to enable him to get some money on a draft, and that he took her to Ireland subsequently because she begged hard that he should do so. After adjournment Holmes' daughter approached him and said: "O father! how could you swear so?" His reply was a volley of vile names, for which Judge Curtis severely reprimanded him.—*N. Y. Times*, Oct 16.

A ROYAL SCANDAL IN MADRID, SPAIN.

We make the following extracts from a letter written to a friend of *The Alta* from Alicante, under date of Sept. 13: "There has been a change of Ministry at Madrid—a modification in a little more liberal sense. First cause of the present reign. It will not make much difference. There is a tremendous scandal rumored about the King. It seems more like a tale of the time of Philip IV than of that of Alfonso XII. However, as it is the theme of interest just now, putting the war, Carlists, and everything else entirely in the shade, I may as well tell it to you for your edification as to the state of society in which such stories are readily accepted as true. The tale runs thus: Two sisters, one married to a colonel in the army, receive attentions from young Alfonso and the Duke de Sisto, one of those who took a prominent part in the restoration of the Bourbons. The husband of the elder sister, being found rather in the way, is sent to the north to fight the Carlists. Suspecting something, he tells a friend to watch his wife. The friend soon warns him that his honor is in danger, and the aggrieved husband returns suddenly and secretly to Madrid, gains entrance to his house at dead of night, and, unobserved, presents himself at his wife's bedroom and finds the Duke de Sisto in her arms; he pulls out a revolver, and fires at the Duke; the pistol misses fire, and the Duke seizes his revolver, fires at the husband, and kills him. The King is with the other sister; he rushes out in great alarm; screams of women fainting, a row all around, a crowd of neighbors, police authorities, etc., complete the scene. The King and Duke get off as best they can; the dead colonel is reputed to have committed suicide; the two sisters disappear, no one knows where; a woman and police agent also disappear; rumors, and, to crown all, the Judge who has taken charge of the affair, and is reported to be a very honorable man (*a rara avis* in Spanish politics), writes a letter to the Minister of Justice, cuts his throat, and dies without more ado. A nice scandal, isn't it? Of course, the newspapers are not allowed to say a word; but clandestine papers spread the tale everywhere; and, as the mystery of the so-called suicide is unaccounted for, about a hundred different versions of the story are abroad. The suicide of the Judge is certain, and, to say the least, is a strange coincidence. When there is another revolution, perhaps we may hear the truth of the matter."

AN EXPECTANT BRIDE FINDS HER INTENDED HUSBAND A MADMAN.—Deputy-sheriff Brown of Napa passed through Vallejo this morning, on his way to Stockton, with an insane man, whose action on the cars and at the South Vallejo boat-landing attracted a great deal of attention. His hands were shackled, and a strong leather strap prevented him from using his arms. He talked incessantly, generally repeating a few words in the most appealing manner, and at the same time rattling his shackles. He would shake his hands up and down, and say: "Why do I wear these chains? Why these chains? Why these chains?" Then, turning to a bystander, he would appeal to him personally, with the most touching emphasis: "Tell me why I wear these chains. They say it is to keep up the electric circulation. Now, I ask you, as an intelligent man, to tell me, in the name of God, whether that can be so." Receiving no answer, he would rattle his chains again and renew the pitiful refrain: "Why these chains? Why these chains? Why these chains?" The man appeared to be very intelligent, except that he was not in his right mind. He struggled hard to release himself, but could not break his bonds, and the Deputy-sheriff and another person held him fast, one on each side. From Mr. Brown we learn that it is a very sad case, and, we might add, a romantic case. His name is Joseph Bruder, and he is a native of Germany, but he has lived in this country since he was four years old. His father and family are now living in Pennsylvania, and young Bruder has resided in Napa since March last only. He was engaged to a young lady in the East, and recently wrote to her to come out to California, and they would be married. She came, and met him in Sacramento, but his actions soon convinced her that he was insane. The shock to the lady, on discovering that her lover had betrothed was a maniac, can be imagined, but would be hard to describe. Bruder had his examination before Judge Stoney on Tuesday, and was committed to an asylum. At times he is terribly violent, and it would take several strong men to hold him. He is a Roman Catholic, and religion is his theme in most of his ravings. The only person who can control him is Father Dyer, the priest at Napa, who exercises a wonderful power over him. Even in his most violent moments, if the priest speaks to him, he will be quiet and hold up his hands to receive the shackles.—*Vallejo* (Cal.) *Chronicle*.

AN ILLINOIS GIRL refused to be engaged until her lover first insured his life in her favor, and then traveled two years abroad to improve his manners. "If he survives," she sighed, "I shall keep my engagement."

BASEBALL.

CHICAGO vs. MUTUAL.

These clubs played the sixth game of their series together on Oct. 20, on the Union Grounds, Brooklyn, N. Y., in the presence of about two or three hundred spectators, but little interest being taken in the game, apparently, though a close contest might have been expected—that is, supposing each club played their best. The record of the games thus far played—this last probably being the finishing contest—is as follows:

June 3, Chicago vs. Mutual, at Chicago	8 to 0
June 5, Mutual vs. Chicago, at Chicago	6 " 5
June 7, Chicago vs. Mutual, at Chicago	14 " 0
July 24, Mutual vs. Chicago, at Brooklyn	7 " 1
July 31, Mutual vs. Chicago, at Brooklyn	15 " 3
Oct. 20, Chicago vs. Mutual, at Brooklyn	13 " 3

The total scores were 44 to 31 in favor of Chicago.

This last match opened in favor of the Mutuals, who scored a single in their second inning, owing to a dropped fly by Golden, a two-base hit by Gedney sending Nelson home after Matthews had had a life given him. The Mutuals did not add another run to their score until the seventh inning, when they punished Devlin's pitching for two earned runs, Holdsworth, Start and Hallinan making good basehits, the latter sending two men home. In the meantime the Chicagos were allowed to score unearned runs nearly every inning, the score at the close of the seventh inning standing at 11 to 3 in their favor; and of these but one run was earned, the others having been given chiefly by wild throwing and some bad muffs by Hicks, Higham, Hallinan, Nelson and Holdsworth, the first four playing a wretched fielding game. In the last two innings the Chicagos scored singles, and they left their total at 13 to 3 at the close of the ninth inning.

Hines fielded finely in his position on the Chicago side, Hastings making the prettiest running catch of the game. Golden also made one good catch. Quinn supported Devlin well, and, in fact, the whole nine did good service both at the bat and in the field, their errors being few and far between. Warren led at the bat, Quinn also handling the ash with good effect in scoring fair fouls. On the Mutual side Start did the most service in the field, Hallinan leading at the bat. A record of 28 fielding errors, and first base given by errors 11 times, by the Mutuals, tells badly for their fielding.

Their tenth and last game together, was played at Hartford, on Oct. 21, on which occasion the Hartfords administered a sound thrashing to the Browns, as the appended score shows. Their record of games together is as follows:

June 23, St. Louis vs. Hartford, at Hartford	7 to 1
July 27, Hartford vs. St. Louis, at St. Louis	4 " 2
July 31, St. Louis vs. Hartford, at St. Louis	7 " 1
Sept. 2, Hartford vs. St. Louis, at St. Louis	8 " 3
Sept. 9, St. Louis vs. Hartford, at St. Louis	11 " 4
Sept. 11, St. Louis vs. Hartford, at St. Louis	6 " 0
Sept. 15, Hartford vs. St. Louis, at Hartford	5 " 0
Sept. 18, Hartford vs. St. Louis, at Hartford	5 " 0
Sept. 20, St. Louis vs. Hartford, at Hartford	10 " 4
Sept. 21, Hartford vs. St. Louis, at Hartford	15 " 7

The record is now: Totals of the five victories for St. Louis at 41 to 10, and the five for Hartford at 38 to 11, leaving the grand total at 52 to 48 in favor of St. Louis. This is the second tie score of won games which marks the St. Louis Club record.

HARTFORD.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Burdock, 2d b	4	3	3	1	1
Mills, 1st b	2	1	8	0	
Harbidge, r f	3	2	0	0	
York, l f	3	2	0	0	
Ferguson, 3d b	1	1	1	2	
Remsen, c f	1	1	2	0	
D. Allison, c	1	1	7	0	
Carey, s s	2	1	2	1	
Cummings, p	1	0	0	3	
Total	18	12	24	7	

ST. LOUIS.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Cuthbert, l f	1	1	1	0	0
Pike, c f	1	1	2	0	0
Battin, 2d b	0	0	1	2	1
Pearce, s s	0	0	1	0	1
Bradley, p	0	0	0	1	0
Hague, 3d b	0	0	0	0	1
Seward, c	0	0	2	5	1
Dehlman, 1st b	0	0	1	0	0
Waitt, r f	0	0	1	0	0
Total	3	3	9	8	4

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R.	E.
Hartford	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	0	0	5	0
St. Louis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Earned runs—Hartford, 2. First base on errors—Hartford, 3; St. Louis, 2. Total base-hits—Hartford, 3; St. Louis, 1. Umpire, Chas. Daniels of the Hartford Amateurs.

On the 20th they met again, when the boys from Missouri scooped in the Connecticuters by the score which we subjoin:

ST. LOUIS.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.
Cuthbert, l f	1	3	0	0
Pike, c f	0	2	2	0
Battin, 2d b	2	1	2	6
Pearce, s s	2	3	0	4
Bradley, p	2	3	3	2
Hague, 3d b	1	3	1	1
Seward, c	1	1	3	0
Dehlman, 1st b	0	0	14	0
Waitt, r f	1	0	2	0
Totals	10	16	27	13

HARTFORD.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.
Burdock, 2d b	0	0	4	4
Mills, 1st b	0	0	8	0
Harbidge, r f	0	1	1	0
York, l f	1	1	4	0
A. Allison, r f	1	1	0	0
Ferguson, 3d b	1	1	1	1
Remsen, c f	1	1	2	0
D. Allison, c	1	0	6	2
Carey, s s	1	2	1	2
Cummings, p	0	0	0	1
Totals	7	7	27	10

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R.	E.
Hartford	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
St. Louis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Earned runs—Hartford, 1; St. Louis, 4. First base by errors—Hartford, 9; St. Louis, 2. First base on errors—Hartford, 4; St. Louis, 4. Total bases—Hartford, 23; St. Louis, 13. Fielding errors—Hartford, 7; St. Louis, 19. Umpire, Charles Daniels.

PHILADELPHIA vs. MUTUAL.

These clubs played their seventh and probably last championship match together on the Union Grounds, Brooklyn, N. Y., on Oct. 21, and, the weather being fine, there was a better attendance than at the Chicago and Mutual match. But little pool-selling was indulged in, and therefore the game was played on its merits. On the Philadelphia side, one and all on this occasion went in to play their best, Zettlein pitching with good effect and fielding well, as did McGeary, while McMullen made one good catch, and both he and Tracy did well at the bat. The game was closely contested up to the third inning, when the Philadelphians punished Matthews in a manner which "Bobby" did not relish at all, nine men going to the bat in this inning, and all but Tracy and Zettlein made base-hits, five runs being earned by sharp ground-hits, and Snyder's long, high ball over Gedney's head. The Mutuals rallied in the next inning with three base-hits, scoring two unearned runs, a passed ball assisting; but the seven runs of the Philadelphias practically settled the contest. The second inning's play was noteworthy. Higham led off with a fine hit, and Hicks and Booth followed suit, and all three bases were occupied—having been well earned—when Nelson popped up a high ball, which Meyerle held on the fly. Matthews then hit a hot liner direct to Zettlein, who held it beautifully on the fly, and, passing it to Fulmer, caught Higham napping there before he could get back; and, had not one hand been put out, a triple play would have been made, as Fulmer promptly passed the ball across to Murnan in time to put out Booth, who had been obliged to return to first base on the catch. It cut off two or three runs in fine style. After the fifth inning the Mutuals failed to score a run, while the Philadelphians were afforded opportunities for increasing their score, chiefly by errors, as they only made four base-hits after the fourth inning. It became too dark to play the ninth inning, and so the game was called at the end of the eighth. Booth led at the bat on the Mutual side, and Hicks did the best fielding. On the part of Philadelphia, Snyder and Fulmer did best batting, Meyerle also doing service in his position and leading at the bat. The game was well umpired by Mr. Blodgett.

MUTUAL.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Holdsworth, c f	1	0	0	3	2
Start, 1st b	1	0	5	0	3
Hallinan, s s	0	1	2	1	3
Higham, r f	0	1	3	0	1
Hicks, c	0	1	6	2	1
Booth, 2d b	1	3	3	0	0
Nelson, 3d b	0	1	1	1	2
Matthews, p	0	0	0	2	0
Gedney, l f	0	2	1	0	1
Totals	3	10	24	5	17

PHILA.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Murnan, 1st b	1	2	13	0	1
McGeary, s s	3	2	1	3	1
Addy, r f	2	1	2	1	0
Meyerle, 2d b	2	2	3	3	1
Fulmer, l f	1	0	2	0	0
Fulmer, 3d b	1	2	3	1	0
Snyder, c	2	1	5	0	2
Zettlein, p	2	1	1	4	0
McMullin, c f	1	2	1	0	0
Totals	14	14	24	12	5

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R.	E.
Mutual	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	3	1—6
Philadelphia	0	0	0	7	2	1	1	0	3	0—14	

Runs earned—Mutual, 0; Philadelphia, 6. First base by errors—Mutual, 3; Philadelphia, 6. Umpire, Mr. Blodgett of the Amateur Association. Time, 1h. 55m.

CONCORD vs. CHELSEA.

The match arranged for the benefit of Sammy Decker took place at the Capitoline Grounds, Brooklyn, N. Y., Oct. 19, on which occasion nines of the Concord and Chelsea Clubs, Protestants, Rule and Clare, the pitcher and catcher of the Chelseas, exchanging positions with McGinnis and Decker, who pitched and caught for the Chelseas. As the latter two were not so well supported as the former, the result was the success of the Concord side. The weather was cold and unpleasant, and the attendance was such as to make the benefit a merely nominal one. Of the play on the occasion, that of Rowe at first base, Clare as catcher, and Wilson in the outfield, was the most noteworthy on the Concord side, Palmer leading at the bat. On the other side Dunne's fielding, as also that of Decker, was effective, Hartman leading at the bat. The umpiring was poor.

CONCORD.	R.	I.B.	P.O.
Rowe, 1st b	0	0	10
Koehler, l f	2	2	1
Palmer, s s	3	1	2
Clare, c	2	1	4
Rule, p	1	0	0
Smith, 2d b	0	0	2
Irish, 3d b	0	0	1
Wilson, r f	2	1	1
Mack, c f	0	1	1
Total	10	6	27

CHELSEA.	R.	I.B.	P.O.
W. West, 2d b	2	2	0
Decker, c	1	1	6
Hartman, c f	2	4	0
McCabe, s s	1	1	3
McGinnis, p	0	0	2
Dunne, 1st b	0	0	9
E. West, 3d b	2	1	2
Rankin, r f	0	0	1
Total	8	9	24

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R.	E.
Concord	3	0	3	0	0	1	1	1	1	10	6
Chelsea	3	0	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	8	5

Earned runs—Concord, 0; Chelsea, 1. Umpire, Mr. Samuel Ames. Time, 1h. 50m.

The match reported to be of thirteen innings was a game of seven innings only.

TAUNTON vs. LIVE OAK.

A game for the amateur championship of Massachusetts was played at Taunton Oct. 21 by the Taunton Club of Taunton and the Live Oak Club of Lynn, which, after a hard-fought and exciting struggle, was won by the Tauntons, who outbatted the Lynn boys completely, making 14 single and 16 total base-hits to their 6. The playing of Waterman and Allen was very fine; also the fielding of Bates. The umpiring of Mr. Reed was fair and impartial. The Tauntons have within a month defeated both the Lowells and Live Oaks, and now hold a leading position among the amateur clubs of the State.

TAUNTON.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
A. Carpenter, r f	3	2	1	0	0
Sullivan, 1st b	0	2	2	4	1
Dennis, 3d b	0	0	1	2	1
Allen, c	3	1	7	1	0
Bates, s s	1	1	1	0	2
Waterman, p	1	2	2	2	3
Perry, l f	0	2	0	0	0
Brewer, c f	0	2	4	0	0
W. Carpenter, 2d b	2	3	6	1	6
Totals	8	14	27	13	13

LIVE OAK.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Brown, r f	0	0	0	0	0
Whitney, l f	1	1	2	0	0
Madden, 3d b	1	2	2	2	2
Phinan, c	0	1	7	1	1
Adams, c f	1	0	1	0	1
King, 1st b	0	2	5	0	2
Hawkes, 2d b	0	0	3	4	1
Morgan, s s	0	0	3	4	1
White, p	0	0	0	0	2
Totals	3	6	27	11	10

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R.	E.
Taunton	1	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	2	8	2
Live Oak	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	6

Earned runs—Taunton, 4; Live Oak, 3. Bases on called balls—Taunton, 2. Two-base hits—W. Carpenter, 1; Waterman, 1. Left on bases—Taunton, 4; Live Oak, 3. Umpire, Waldo Reed. Time, 2h.

BOSTON vs. PICKED TEN.

A game was played at the South End, Boston, Mass., Oct. 20, in which the champion Reds walked away with a ten picked from the different amateur clubs in that crooked city. The score:

BOSTON.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
G. Wright, s s	3	3	3	0	1
Barnes, 2d b	3	1	2	5	1
Leonard, l f	2	3	5	0	0
O'Rourke, c f	2	1	2	0	2
McVey, 1st b	2	2	11	0	1
Spalding, p	3	4	0	0	1
Brown, c	2	1	3	1	3
Schafer, 3d b	1	1	1	0	0
Heifert, r f	0	1	6	1	0
Totals	20	17	27	8	9

PICKED TEN.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
White, c	0	1	5	1	1
Manning, p	3	2	1	0	7
Beals, 2d b	0	0	3	8	2
H. Wright, c f	0	2	3	0	1
Woodhead, 3d b	0	0	1	2	1
Crane, s s	0	0	1	2	5
Pike, l f	0	0	1	0	1
Fogle, r f	0	0	0	0	1
Morrill, c f	1	1	2	0	1
McKenna, 1st b	0	0	12	0	2
Totals	3	8	27	12	31

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R.	E.
Boston	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	20	
Picked Ten	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	

Runs earned—Boston, 1. Passed balls—White, 6; O'Rourke, 1; Brown, 2. Time, 2h.

THE CARBONDALE CLUB.

This club has closed its season's play, and shows a truly brilliant record. In twenty-four match games it has been beaten by but two amateur clubs, scoring 365 runs to their opponents' 192. Before disbanding for the season, the team made a tour of Northern and Central New York, and defeated every club with which they played, scoring 88 runs to 26 by home-nines. The catcher, E. Kennedy, 19yrs. old, 5ft. 6in. high, 140lbs, has had but nineteen passed balls in twenty-three games. The pitcher, G. Price, 18yrs. old, 5ft. 7in. high, 159lbs, has a well-concealed underhand throw, and affects three deliveries. In four matches with heavy batting nines the latter made but fifteen base-hits, viz.:

Carbondale vs. Arlington	4	to	3 ..... 4 base-hits.
Carbondale vs. Wilkesbarre	7	to	5 ..... 3 base-hits.
Carbondale vs. Honesdale	11	to	3 ..... 4 base-hits.
Carbondale vs. Binghamton	8	to	5 ..... 4 base-hits.
Totals	30	to	15 ..... 15 base-hits.

Below we present the names and record of individual players:

	R. H.	R.	O.	Games
Maroney, 3d b	49	36	59	22
Lathrop, 1st b	35	37	46	18
Gillespie, 2d b	49	41	58	22
Nealon, c f	38	33	66	21
Kennedy, c	46	31	62	22
Parrott, r f	50	38	57	21
Kilpatrick, s s	45	32	64	22
Frimerly, l f	46	34	66	23
Price, p	17	14	61	19
Isherwood, 1st b	12	12	13	4

A correspondent, who sends us the above, says: "If the self-styled 'champions' (?), Actives of Reading, will accept the guarantees offered them, and make a tour through the Lackawanna Valley without getting 'buried' by either Carbondale or Wilkesbarre, they will have accomplished a feat no other club has performed this season. 'Championship of Pennsylvania' looks decidedly thin!"

BOSTON vs. HARTFORD.

In the eighth game between the above nines, which took place at Hartford, Ct., Oct. 19, the local team, who played very poorly, were easily beaten.

BOSTON.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Wright, s s	3	3	0	4	
Barnes, 2d b	1	1	4	3	
Leonard, l f	1	1	1	0	
O'Rourke, c f	1	1	2	0	
McVey, 1st b	0	0	3	0	
Spalding, p	0	2	10	0	
White, c	1	2	0	5	
Manning, r f	1	0	1	0	
Totals	7	8	27	12	

HARTFORD.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Burdock, 2d b	0	1	3	3	
Mills, 1st b	0	1	10	2	
Harbidge, r f	0	1	1	0	
York, l f	0	0	4	0	
Ferguson, 3d b	1	1	3	1	
Remsen, c f	0	1	1	0	
D. Allison, c	1	1	3	6	
Carey, s s	0	2	1	4	
Bond, p	0	1	1	0	
Totals	3	9	27	16	

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R.	E.
Boston	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	4	7	
Hartford	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	

Runs earned—Boston, 4; Hartford, 1. Total base-hits—Boston, 11; Hartford, 12. Fielding errors—Boston, 11; Hartford, 15. Umpire, Harmon Dehlman of the St. Louis Club. Time, 2h.

RED CAPS vs. CLIPPER.

These clubs, respectively of St. Paul and Winona, met at the latter place Oct. 16, and the Reds won a good game by the score subjoined:

RED CAPS.	T.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Scott, c	5	1	1	9	1	0
West, s s	5	2	1	2	2	2
Oesirich, 1 b	4	3	3	13	1	0
Warren, r f	5	0	1	0	0	2
M. Berkin's, c	4	1	0	4	1	4
Allen, 3d b	5	1	1	1	0	0
F. Berk'n, 2 b	4	1	0	1	4	0
Garrett, r f	4	1	1	1	2	0
Ahern, p	4	0	0	1	3	2
Totals	42	8	11	27	12	14

CLIPPER.	T.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Yale, 1st b	5	2	1	12	1	0
Walsh, 3d b	5	1	1	1	3	0
H. Smith, c f	5	1	1	1	0	0
Griswold, r f	5	0	0	1	0	0
Walsh, 2d b	5	1	1	1	4	0
Fisher, 2d b	5	1	1	1	4	0
F. Smith, p	5	0	2	0	1	6
Lalor, s s	5	0	0	0	3	0
McLeod, c	5	0	0	0	0	6
Randall, l f	5	2	1	2	1	1
Totals	7	7	7	27	14	13

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R.	E.
Red Caps	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	0	2	8	
Clipper	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	7	

Runs earned—Red Cap, 2; Clipper, 1. Left on bases—Red Cap, 7; Clipper, 4. Passed balls—Berkman, 1; McCleod, 6. Umpire, Charles Hafbert of St. Paul. Scorers, Gault and Porter. Time, 1h. 40m.

BOSTON vs. CHICAGO.

Although outbatting and outfielding their opponents, errors caused the defeat of the Chicagos in a game with the champions at Boston Oct. 21.

BOSTON.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
G. Wright, s s	2	2	2	2	1
Barnes, 2d b	2	1	3	4	1
Beals, l f	1	2	3	0	1
O'Rourke, c f	1	1	2	0	1
McVey, 1st b	1	2	9	0	0
Spalding, p	2	2	0	3	0
White, c	1	1	8	2	2
Manning, r f	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	11	11	27	13	6

| CHICAGO. | R. | I.B. | P.O. | A. | E

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LADIES' LIST.

Austin, Cora (of Howe's Cir.)
Arnett, Nellie
Arnold, Ella
Beach, Alice
Bailey, Ella
Brown, Mollie (of Queen's Cir.)
Bayard, Nellie
Bellmont, Lotino
Blanchard, Mrs. M.
Bennett, Eva
Clifton, Mrs. Frank B.
Carroll, Mrs. Jennie
Celeste, Belle
Clifton, Emma
Clifton, Minnie
Cushman, Cora
Cole, Mrs. Jennie
Dorrity, Mrs. Jno. B.
Durand, Kittie
Delorme, Annie
Dearden, Fannie
Delmay, Lu-lu
De Von, Adele
Estelle, Lizzie
Estelle, Lena
Everton, Mrs. Lu-lu
Elberts, Kittie
Evarts' Mrs. Harry
Florence, Mlle. (actress) (3)
Forrest, Lillian
Forrister, Ada
Gilbert, Katie
Gray, Mable
Gardner, Carrie
Green, Mrs. Annie J. (2)
Adams, Thos. (of Howe's Cir.)
Anderson, Prof. (magician)
Alexander, M. (of Queen's Cir.)
Allen, J. O. E.
Arnold, W. S.
Austin, Chas.
Aubrey, Robt. (2)
Arlington, Jas.
Austin, A. S. (agent
Ames, Emile
Abbott, Jno. W.
Agent, Gopher City Quartette
Ashton, G. (with Haverly's Bros.)
Ahern, Jas.
Burk, Sergt. Jno. E.
Barnum, J.
Brown, E. B. (3)
Burrows, Chas.
Byron, Fred
Bryan, Edward
Boucicault, Dion
Bland & Leland
Burke, D. (of Orient. Cir.)
Belford, J. K. (2)
Blandower, Mons.
Barrett, Wm.
Berger, Fred G (2)
Bohm, C. (of Queen's Cir.)
Byron, F. Arthur
Blossom Bros.
Burton, Thos. F.
Beedle's Bell-ringers
Bray, Walter
Bolter, Saml.
Bailey, Harry
Bohn, Mr. (of Hog Comb.)
Burke, J. M. (with Buffalo Bill) 6c.
Blake, H. (leading "biz")
Baetins, Chas. 6c.
Barr, J. L.
Bailey, H. (of Southern Cir.)
Brelsford, M. R.
Byrne, Gerald
Blennerhassett, W. T.
Beard, R. H.
Braham, Harry N.
Brawner, Frank D.
Brown, J. B. (with Barnum)
Bliss, Albert
Bindley, Prof.
Bahm, Harold
Burnett, Alf
Bray, Wm.
Brown, Ed. (actor and manag.)
Burton & Kelly, Clarence
"Chap"
Bryan, Mrs. Bairdl (Zonsati, Conchit
Rathburn, Josie
Richards, Belle
Richmond, Ada
Rathburne, Josie
Ross, Pauline
Sutherland, Agnes (2)
Stanley, Maude
Sanford, L. Lo-lo
Stetson, Evelyn
Stone, Emma
Saphir, Mrs. S. M.
Stetson, Mrs. E. T.
Sonford, Nellie
Swinburne, Marie (2)
Street, Mrs. Martha
Sanford, Julia
Somers, Alice
Singleton, Kate (3)
St. Clair, Ida
"Thalia"
Taylor, Nettie
Taylor Combinat.
Marion (2)
Taylor, Marion (3)
Vestvali, Marie
Van Zandt, Inez 6c.
Wilkerson, Sadie E. W.
Wyndham, Alice
Warner, Ella (banjoist)
Wells, Minnie
Woodbield, Mrs.
Whitlin, Mrs.
Waugh, Amelia
Weston Sisters 3c.
Worrell, Sophie
Wentworth, Lottie
Zoerner, Anna
Zephy, Millie

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Gaylord, A. E.
Gibbons, Frank
Girard, F.
Gaskell, A. (of Queen's Cir.)
Graham, T. (with "Buffalo Bill")
Gerry, Dan S.
Gaylord, Wm.
Garlick, E. H.
Gorman, Romer
Grace, Jas.
Gaylord, Low
Gray, Father
Moore, Horace E.
Mitchell & Elmer
McFadden, Jno.
Mason, E. J.
McKee, Andy
Murphy, Con T.
Moore, Jas. F.
McGowan, Geo.
Naoni, Frank (2)
Nelson, Wm.
Norton, Wash
Norton, J. S.
Neville, Bartley
Hughes, W. A.
Orrin, Ed. W.
Oliver, J. (with Kelly & Leon)
O'Brien, Fred
O'Lynn, Ryan
Pianist (2)
Peters, Gus (3)
Porter, Jas.
Perry, Capt. Chas.
Palmer, Harry B.
Pennoyer, August.
Porter, W. H.
Perkins, Frank
Paston, Tony
Perry, Capt. C. M.
Pujol, Eugene
Pujol, Mons. (scenic-artist)
Preston, H. (gymnast)
Perkins, W. H.
Waldron, Ivan
Woodward, Lew
Williams, Percy
Williams, Jno. (late of Trimble's)
Welling, W. (of Bryant's Minst.)
Williams, Tony (minst. "biz") (2)
Ward, Flat.
Wells, C. B. 3c.
Welder, E. A.
Williams, A. W. (stage-manag.)
Werner, Ned (with Spaulding)
Welch, Mike
Wilson, Allan (te Thos. Chicago.)
Ware Geo.
Wallace, Harry
Wentworth, Walter
Wells, Harry C.
Wells, Geo. E.
Woodward, "Nick"
Willi ms, Gus
Young, Martin A.
"Young America"
Ryan, Mrs. Sairdl (
Rathburn, Josie
Richards, Belle
Richmond, Ada
Rathburne, Josie
Ross, Pauline
Sutherland, Agnes (2)
Stanley, Maude
Sanford, L. Lo-lo
Stetson, Evelyn
Stone, Emma
Saphir, Mrs. S. M.
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Taylor, Marion (3)
Vestvali, Marie
Van Zandt, Inez 6c.
Wilkerson, Sadie E. W.
Wyndham, Alice
Warner, Ella (banjoist)
Wells, Minnie
Woodbield, Mrs.
Whitlin, Mrs.
Waugh, Amelia
Weston Sisters 3c.
Worrell, Sophie
Wentworth, Lottie
Zoerner, Anna
Zephy, Millie
Johnson, Frankie
Jones, Nellie
Jerome, Jennie
Love Sisters
Langley, Georgie
La Verde, Mrs. C.
McDonald, Flora
Mitchell, Maggie
Moore, Mrs. M. M.
Mitchell, Mary (song-and-dance)
Martin, Hattie
Maas, Mrs. Jas.
Mortimer, Annie
Morgan, Etta (with Berger Family)
Mohring, Frances
McKean, Gabriella
McGill, Sadie
Nelson, Annette
Orrin, Mrs. Lucy
Pierls, Nullie
Peak, Fannie
Putnam, Katie (3) 3c.
Peterson, Louise
Partington, Sallie
Robertson, Minnie
Rood, Nellie
Rhett, Miss M. (of "Zig-Zag" Co.)
Richmond Sisters
Rhodes, Annie
Sayford, A. E.
Gibbons, Frank
Girard, F.
Gaskell, A. (of Queen's Cir.)
Graham, T. (with "Buffalo Bill")
Gerry, Dan S.
Gaylord, Wm.
Garlick, E. H.
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Welder, E. A.
Williams, A. W. (stage-manag.)
Werner, Ned (with Spaulding)
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Ware Geo.
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Murphy, J. E. (of Murphy & Mack)
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Martinette, Albert
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Morris, Jno. (of Denison Co.)
Mazee, Jno. (with J. E. Brady's Co.)
Mafii, Jas. (panto-mimist)
Moore, Eddie
Miller, E. S. 3c.
Morgan, Wm. (equestrian)
Mack, C. (of F. Myer's Co.)
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Marcus
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Mason, Neal (comedian) (2)
Meaker, Prof. A. E.
Marrow, Herbert
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Maryon, T. (2)
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Sieder, Chas. (of Robinson's Minst.)
Sanford, J. (gymnast)
Showalter, J. J.
Sousa, Jno. P.
Searle, Cyril 5c.
Sweet, A. 3c.
Sutton, Owen
Sarony, — (of Metr. Tres, Jersey City)
Timoney, Jno.
Tierney & Cronin
Turner, Wm. & Eddie
Taylor, C. W. (late agent for Haverly's Bros.)
Tobin, Prof. (2)
Thompson, Chas. J.
Thompson, Den
Thorne, Harry
Varley, Thad
Victorelli, Oscar
Vale, W. 3c.
Washburn, E. S (2)
Wolhalla, Jno.
West, Wm. (of Primrose & West)
Weaver, Master Ad (2)
Whittingham, Jno.
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Sanford, L. Lo-lo
Stetson, Evelyn
Stone, Emma
Saphir, Mrs. S. M.
Stetson, Mrs. E. T.
Sonford, Nellie
Swinburne, Marie (2)
Street, Mrs. Martha
Sanford, Julia
Somers, Alice
Singleton, Kate (3)
St. Clair, Ida
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Sieder, Chas. (of Robinson's Minst.)
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Showalter, J. J.
Sousa, Jno. P.
Searle, Cyril 5c.
Sweet, A. 3c.
Sutton, Owen
Sarony, — (of Metr. Tres, Jersey City)
Timoney, Jno.
Tierney & Cronin
Turner, Wm. & Eddie
Taylor, C. W. (late agent for Haverly's Bros.)
Tobin, Prof. (2)
Thompson, Chas. J.
Thompson, Den
Thorne, Harry
Varley, Thad
Victorelli, Oscar
Vale, W. 3c.
Washburn, E. S (2)
Wolhalla, Jno.
West, Wm. (of Primrose & West)
Weaver, Master Ad (2)
Whittingham, Jno.
Wing, Chas. A.
Wells, Charlie
Whitney, Jno.
Welling, W. H.
Waldron, Ivan
Woodward, Lew
Williams, Percy
Williams, Jno. (late of Trimble's)
Welling, W. (of Bryant's Minst.)
Williams, Tony (minst. "biz") (2)
Ward, Flat.
Wells, C. B. 3c.
Welder, E. A.
Williams, A. W. (stage-manag.)
Werner, Ned (with Spaulding)
Welch, Mike
Wilson, Allan (te Thos. Chicago.)
Ware Geo.
Wallace, Harry
Wentworth, Walter
Wells, Harry C.
Wells, Geo. E.
Woodward, "Nick"
Willi ms, Gus
Young, Martin A.
"Young America"

Letters for the following week at the Detroit (Mich.) post-office on Oct. 21: Jas Henneseay of MacEvoy's Hibernicon; Matilda Heer; and Theodore Tilton.

INTRODUCTORY OVERTURE.

MONDAY, Oct. 25, '75.

Thus far, this season, we have had nothing very remarkable in what is called the "legitimate" line; but much is promised for the future. It is customary to open the season at some of our theatres with what was left over from the last campaign; if not successful with the cold meats, then "new and original" dishes are served up, and in this way the banquet goes on. Sometimes the warmed-up things prove to be more nutritious than the fresh; and just so long as the hungry public is satisfied with Irish stew and lobscouce, just so long will our managerial caterers present their guests with the crumbs that fell from the table of last season's dej-uner. But when the public stomach rev lts at the stale provender provided to appease the yearnings of hunger, then quail on toast is offered, and all is serene. We have not yet reached the quail on toast, but it is announced on the bills of fare, and the stayaway tiveness of the dear people will have the good effect of hurrying up the cakes. In the way of music we have already had enough of old dishes rejuvenated, as it might be. Titiens, who by them opera in Europe, only reached *concert*-pitch on her appearance in this country; and she labored under the erroneous impression that she had only to open her mouth, to take us all in; but we have grown in greatness of late years, as we have grown in grace; we have been taught our musical a, b, ab, and c b, fa, and similar things; and we can tell a minim from a semi-breve, and a crotchet from a quaver; and, with such rapid advancement in our studies, we no longer tolerate concert when we should have opera, and we claim the best the European lyric market affords, or we stay at home and study lessons in deportment. So when Mrs. Titiens sang to us with all her concerts, we became reserved and sad and homesick; and the lyric one, observing our dejected condition, likewise grew morose and careworn, and wanted to go home, too; but Strakosch refused to acquiesce in her selfish request, and will take her through the country for what he will fetch. Mr Wachtel was the next resurrected veteran; and when he showed up at the Academ

CINCINNATI DRAMATIC NEWS to Oct. 22 is sent as appended by our correspondent: "At Wood's Theatre John T. Raymond with his artistic impersonation of the hall each evening with his artistic impersonation of Col. Sellers. Nellie Cummings, who is a great favorite to be leading lady at this theatre, made her first appearance as Laura Hawkins, and pleased. The Uncle Daniel of J. T. Craven was capital, and Mr. Soggs as the District-attorney, Mr. Russell as George Selby, Mr. Mackay as Clay Hawkins, and the company in general acquitted themselves handsomely. The put on of the play was excellent. Mr. Raymond will remain another week.....At the Grand Opera-house F. S. Chanfrau has been playing "Kit" all the week to a comfortable business. His support has been fine, and the piece has had entirely new scenes prepared for it—very creditable to the artist, Mr. Waugh. The Judge and Major were done excruciatingly by Messrs. Fisk and Brevilley, and the Mr. and Mrs. Stubbs of Mr. Meade and Miss Lee, and Manuel Bond of Mr. Price were excellent. Mr. Chanfrau closes to-morrow. On the 25th comes Fanny Davenport; Nov. 1, John McCullough; 8, Minnie Palmer."

KATE PIERCE, equestrian actress, can be addressed for engagements through her agent, Col. T. Allston Brown. She will perform in a new equestrian drama entitled "Schwaby."

THE BUFFALO BILL COMBINATION occupied the Richmond (Va.) Theatre Oct. 18, 19, 20, appearing the first two nights in "Life on the Border" and the 20th in "The Scouts of the Plains." The house was crowded each night, and everyone gave satisfaction. The theatre was occupied the remainder of the week by Mrs. John Drew and a comedy company. "The School for Scandal," "The Jealous Wife," and "She Stoops to Conquer" were acted to full houses. Mrs. James Oates, with her Comic Opera Company, are announced for Oct. 25, "Giroflé-Girofla" being the opening piece. Advices of Oct. 25.

AT THE NATIONAL THEATRE, Washington, D. C., the Frank Frayne Combination appeared during the past week in "81 Slocum," attracting a large attendance. The play was well mounted, and the characters well portrayed. The performances of the dog Jack, the trained pony Huckleberry, and the remarkable rifle shooting of Mr. and Mrs. Frayne came in for an equal share of applause. Geo. Denham as Jerry Blackburn, Grace Marcoe as Miss Townsend, and Eugenie Paul as Patsy Collins are worthy of creditable mention. Mrs. D. P. Bowers, supported by Mr. J. C. McCollom, commences an engagement Oct. 25, and will be followed Nov. 1 by Barry Sullivan.

ROBERT MCWADE and a dramatic company performed in Rockford, Ill., Oct. 21, 22, Beloit, Wis., 23. Route: Racine 25, Galena, Ill., 26, Sterling 27, Amboy 28, Peoria 29, 30, Lincoln Nov. 1.

JAMES LEWIS was the star at the Academy of Music, Buffalo, N. Y., during the past week, acting in "Our Boys" to a reported large attendance until Friday, when 'Saratoga" was produced. This week the attraction will be a drama called "The Color Guard," compelled to relinquish their engagement for the week on account of the indisposition of the lady. J. T. Fannin, a good actor, appeared in "Seth Grit," Oct. 23. The departures 23 were the Irma Quartet, Goldie and Barry, no engagement; and Antoinette Kurtz, the Clinetop Sisters, Hattie Huggins, Lillie Francis, Lizzie Wilson, Claudia Waters, Emma White, the Seigels and corps de ballet, to the Comique, Washington D. C. For Oct. 25, the Coleman Sisters' Combination, the Starr Sisters, the Barlow Brothers, and Dick Clark are billed. W. B. Cavanagh has severed his connection with this place on account of failing health, and will shortly leave for Florida in the hope of beneficial results.....Ella Sheldon, an everwelcome face; little Ardine, a sprightly and vivacious little vocalist; Bryant and Williams, two good song-and-dance; men and Johnny Bartley, were the new features at the Odeon on Oct. 25, where business continues unchanged. Bryant and Williams, to the Globe Theatre, New York, were the only departures 23. Healy and Ella Saunders, Sadie St. Clair, and Joe Woods open Oct. 25.....Ada Clifford, dancer, was the only new face at the Centennial Variete on Oct. 23. For simultaneous departures to Richmond, are the departures. The Rouselle Sisters open Oct. 25. Letter of Oct. 24.

AT THE ODEON, Newark, N. J., the fresh attractions on Oct. 18 were Kate O'Connor in her Irish vocalisms, the Stuart Sisters in their specialty of "The Stars and Stripes of America," and the Three Wellingrists in their acrobatic feats, all of whom were well received and recalled nightly. Business has proved good. Departures 23: R. M. Carroll and Sons and Kate O'Connor. Thomas and Heeney, song-and-dance, and Minnie Walters, serio-comic, are the new people announced for Oct. 25.....The Medrano Combination has done its usual good business during the past week, the fresh faces being Andy Collom, who in his banjo solos and negro eccentricities made a hit; the St. Felix Troupe, on whom the applause was lavish; Mons. Ventino and Mlle. Victor, in their grand and lofty tumbling; Frank Mara, an excellent Irish comedian and dancer; and the Turle Brothers, gymnasts. The last named failed to give satisfaction, and were discontinued after the first night. The closures 23 were Bob V. Ferguson and Sallie Mason and the St. Felix Troupe. Engagements for 25 are Mlle. Zitella, Harry Bryan, Ada Collom, and Kirk and Drew.....Coyne's Concert Hall has been doing a fair business the past two weeks. Prof. R. Jackson is the pianist, and Harry McIvers violinist. The company consists of Mlle. Rosetta, trapeze; J. Healey, jig-dancer; J. Turbitt, dancer; Master Johnny, juvenile dancing genius. May Florence, serio-comic, is to be added 25. Harry Clifford closed Oct. 16. Arthur Davis, Irish comedian, has been in the hospital in this city for some time, under treatment for a troublesome cold and cough, but is now getting better, and it is announced that he will shortly open at Coyne's. Letter of Oct. 23.

ELLA HEFLIN, Sam Martin, Tim Morris, Jennie Leslie, C. C. Matthews, and Mlle. Lauretta were those newly introduced to a large audience at Trimble's Varieties Theatre, Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 18. Miss Heflin was seen to advantage in a jig. As a one-legged song-and-dance man Martin is a success. Morris and Miss Heflin performed acceptably a plantation sketch, and the vocalization of Miss Leslie met with a fair degree of approbation. The double-trapeze act by Matthews and Mlle. Lauretta was skillfully accomplished. W. Andrews, Jr., and Thomas, the Irwin Sisters, James D. Roome, Julia Davenport, Ben Dodge, Ida Morris, the Reynolds Brothers, Minnie Rainforth, Minnie Lee, and Joe Lang assisted in making up a varied programme. Business big. On Oct. 23 J. W. McAndrews goes to Brooklyn, the Reynolds Brothers to Baltimore. J. D. Roome lays off in New York City, and opens 25 in Baltimore. Those announced for Oct. 25 are the Garretta Troupe, Gorman and Romer, Miss Lillie Raymond, Sheppard and Whitney, the St. Felix Ballet Troupe, and Manchester and Jennings. Manager Aimes has been confined to his room for the past week, but has so far recovered as to be able to indulge in a drive. Letter of Oct. 22.

JOHN LE FAVRE MANNING, Maggie Ray, Lizzie Warren and Annie Hall were the new appearances at the Vaudeville Theatre, Louisville, Ky., Oct. 18, and they were welcomed by an audience which filled the theatre in every part. Miss Manning's singing of Manning was something out of the ordinary run, and was deservedly encored. The gems of Erin, sung by Miss Ray, were rather ancient, and therefore treated with respect. Miss Warren's songs-and-dances were received with favor, and deservedly so. Annie Hall was repeatedly encored for her singing. The programme this week is very lengthy, as all the below-mentioned people appear: Harry Talbot, Joe Childs, Hi Chapman, Lucy Adams, the Starr Sisters, Guy Linton, Nat Hyams, Antoinette Sevoy, Billy Ray, Imogene Hyams, and Maggie Ray. Sadie Hasson, Bennett Walker, Billy Hasson, Adams and Hasson, Ryan Brothers, and the Haleys are billed for the 25th. Lucy Adams, Guy Linton, Antoinette Savoy and Lizzie Warren depart on the 23d. Dated Oct. 21.

CHARLEY SHAY'S QUINCUPLEXAL IS to show in Canton, O., Oct. 25; Mansfield 26, Newark 27, Zanesville 28, Lancaster 29, Columbus 30.

AT ENOCHS' VARIETIES, Philadelphia, the attendance improved during the week ending Oct. 23, a lengthy and attractive programme being then given, with Ventine Love, Nellie Maskell, Lew Spencer and Frank Hassall as the new people, the first named now acting as stage-manager. Lew Spencer in his Dutch and Ethiopian eccentricities, and Frank Hassall in his "old man" specialties, were favorably received. The sensational drama of "Rattling Bill" gave an opportunity for the display of some effective acting by Ventine Love in the title role, and Nellie Maskell as Ogeneta. Alexander Zanfretta and his pantomime troupe closed Oct. 23.

THE RAVEL-HERNANDEZ Pantomime Troupe, under the direction of Arthur Hernandez, inaugurated the Fall season at Miller's Winter Garden, Philadelphia, on the 18th inst., introducing their specialties of "The French Dancing Master," "Boston Peace Jubilee," "The Burlesque Japs," concluding with the pantomime of "The Magic Horn." Ed. Banker is the manager of this establishment.

THE NEW YORK CENTENNIAL, Eleventh and Wood streets, Philadelphia, closed its doors after the performance of the 16th inst., lack of patronage leading to that result. .....Miss Lulu Delmay in comic songs, Lew and Pauline Parker in an Ethiopian sketch entitled "Those Happy Days," and John H. Carle in his banjo-solos were the fresh arrivals at the Grand Central, Philadelphia, and each was favorably received. A new sensational drama entitled "Texas Joe" brought the entertainment to a close, and introduced Miss Winnetta Montague, George W. Thompson and Jas. Wood Sisters in the principal roles. The Foy Sisters, Mlle. De Granville, and the Wells closed on the 23d. Sidney C. France is his drama "Marked for Life," the Langlois Brothers, Tommy Granger, and Miss Clara Leontine open on the 25th.

DAVIS & CO., theatrical agents, Cincinnati, O., state that the Reinharts, athletes; the Satsuma Japs, Mlle. Violetta and the Holland Brothers, gymnasts; and several serio-comic vocalists can be engaged through them. For further particulars see advertisements.

CLARIBEL, specialty artist, recently arrived from Europe, can be addressed care of this office.

J. M. MONTMEER publishes a notice in another department, to which the profession are referred.

THE CLARK BROTHERS, with musical specialties, commence an engagement at the National Theatre, Cincinnati, O., Nov. 1, and state that their first open date is Jan. 17, 1876.

CHARLES AUSTIN'S GREAT ADELPHI and Martinetti's PantomimeCompany performed in Reading, Pa., Oct. 21, Lancaster 22, Harrisburg 23. Route: Allentown 25, Easton 26, Wilkesbarre 27, Pittston 28, Scranton 29.

SINCE THE FAIR there has been a falling-off in the attendance at the Trevolli Varieties, Peoria, Ill. Ada Sidella, serio-comic vocalist and male impersonator, made her first appearance Oct. 23. Wm. Scott, clogger, had a benefit Oct. 22. He goes to Omaha. Johnny Rankin has resigned his position as stage-manager. John Murray has been engaged, and will shortly assume the vacant position.

THE BRAHAMS open at the Front-street Theatre, Baltimore, Md., Nov. 1, Tony Pastor's, New York, 15.

WM. S. SHERMAN, "double somersault leaper," is to join E. S. Washburne's Last Sensation in Springfield, Mass.

AT SHELBY'S ADELPHI, Buffalo, N. Y., the only departure Oct. 23 was Eloise Allen. To open 25: Edmund Pierce, Wesley and Walting, and Sallie Mason.

AT THE CAPITOL THEATRE, Albany, N. Y., the following pet in an appearance on Oct. 18: W. Henry Rice, the Gorman Brothers—James, John and George Conley, Williams, Billy Burr and Maggie Bowers, Belle Wallace, who was engaged, failed to appear. W. Henry Rice, who is recognized as a clever burlesque prima-donna, fully sustained his reputation. He was obliged to close on Thursday evening, being called to Philadelphia on account of the death of a brother. The Gormans, Conley Brothers, and Williams in song-and-dance, while Miss Bowers proved to be better than the ordinary run of vocalists. Andy Williams and Billy Burr failed to give satisfaction, and their services were dispensed with after the first night. The departures 23 were the Gorman Brothers, to Providence, and Kitty Sheppard and Harry Armstrong, to join Mme. Bentz's Minstrels. The announcements for 25 are Add Weaver, Eddie Weaver, Bob Scott and Patti Rosa, Ella Mayo, Rosa Doyle, C. J. Gregory, and Everett and Williams. Letter of Oct. 24.

GEO. F. MCDONALD, stage-manager of the Park Theatre, Brooklyn, L. I., was presented with an elegant gold-headed ebony cane by the company and attachés on Thursday evening last. The presentation was made in a neat speech by T. J. Martin.

LURLINE the female aquatic performer and Watson the man-fish commence an engagement at the Olympic Theatre, this city, Nov. 8, performing their feats, while under water, in a mammoth glass tank.

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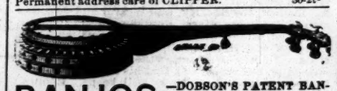

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